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# P. & O. LINER RAWALPINDI SUNK IN GALLANT NAVAL ACTION

## MOST THRILLING EPIC OF WAR IS REVEALED IN ADMIRALTY REPORT

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—An Admiralty statement reveals that the German "pocket" battleship Deutschland attacked the Rawalpindi, which was forming part of the northern patrol enforcing the contraband control of German trade.

At 3.30 p.m. the Rawalpindi, when cruising to the south-east of Iceland, sighted an enemy ship.

"IT'S THE DEUTSCHLAND!"

Captain Kennedy, having examined the vessel through his glasses, said: "It's the Deutschland all right."

The crew were immediately ordered to the action stations.

The course was altered to bring the enemy on the starboard quarter.

Smoke-floats were cast into the water to enable the Rawalpindi to escape.

However, a second enemy ship was soon seen to starboard.

### Second Enemy Ship

The Deutschland, approaching, signalled the Rawalpindi to stop, and when she continued on her course, fired a shot across her bows.

As this warning was rejected, the first salvo was fired by the Deutschland's 11-inch guns at 3.45 p.m. at a range of 10,000 yards.

The Rawalpindi replied with all her four starboard six-inch guns.

The third salvo from the Deutschland extinguished all lights and broke the electric winches of the ammunition supply.

### Bridge Shot Away

The fourth salvo shot away the whole bridge and wireless room.

Both the German ships were now closing rapidly and by this time the second ship had gone round the Rawalpindi's stern and was firing from the port side.

The Rawalpindi maintained the fight until every gun was put out of action, and the whole ship was ablaze except the fore-castle and the poop.

After about 30 or 40 minutes of this unequal combat, the enemy ceased firing and three boats not shattered by shell-fire—one of these became waterlogged—were lowered.

It is believed that two of these boats, containing over 30 men, were picked up by one of the German ships.

### Chitral Rescues Survivors

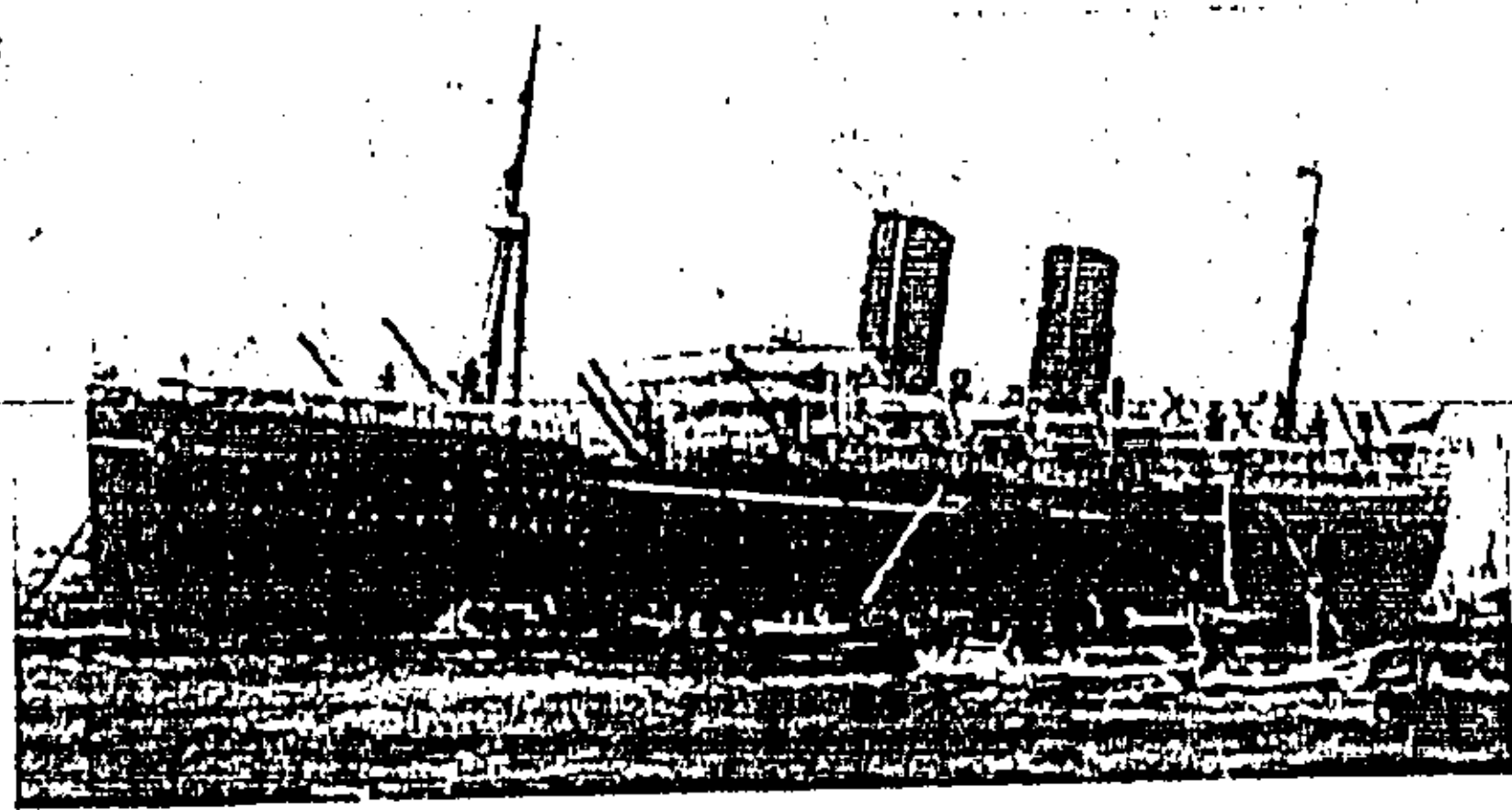
Eleven survivors brought in by the P. and O. liner Chitral, swam to the water-logged life-boat and would probably have been picked up by the Deutschland but for the fact that about 6.15 p.m., the approach of a British cruiser caused the enemy immediately to withdraw.

The Rawalpindi continued to burn amidsthips until 8 p.m. when she turned turtle to starboard and foundered with all remaining hands.

### Nazi Cruisers Escape

Meanwhile the British cruiser attempted to shadow the German ships, but in the heavy rainstorm and darkness of the night, they escaped from the scene.

It is added that the Rawalpindi made a most gallant fight against overwhelming odds, and went down with her colours flying.



THE P. & O. LINER RAWALPINDI

Helsingfors Agrees To Withdraw Troops  
If Russians Will Do Likewise

## SOVIET FRENZY AGAINST FINNS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Nov. 27 (UP).—A resolution adopted at a mass meeting of students and workers demands stern action against the "Finnish militarists", and the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the frontier.

"If they do not withdraw, we will throw them back," the resolution declared.

### Ready To Strike

A further resolution adopted at Leningrad is typical of Soviet sentiment.

"We are ready to strike three decisive blows for each provocative blow by the Finnish war clique. The clowns who are managing the fate of the Finnish people must be reminded of the sad lot of the ill-starred former rulers of Poland," it said.

Scenes reminiscent of the days before the occupation of Poland occurred throughout Moscow to-day. Masses of people lined up at the newsstands and listened to announcements over loudspeakers.

Following a demonstration at the Artillery Headquarters the troops adopted a resolution saying: "We are ready at any moment to defend our beloved Fatherland and to shatter the heads of the provocateurs with Voroshilov telegrams from powerful cannon."

The workers of the Hammer and Sickle plant—the largest metallurgical works in Moscow—also passed a resolution pledging increased production of defence materials.

"Obviously the warmongers have

lost their heads and forgotten that they are dealing with the Soviet Union," they said.

### Soviet Press Frenzy

MOSCOW, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The Russian press is being worked up into a frenzy over the alleged killing of four Soviet soldiers by Finnish practice artillery fire.

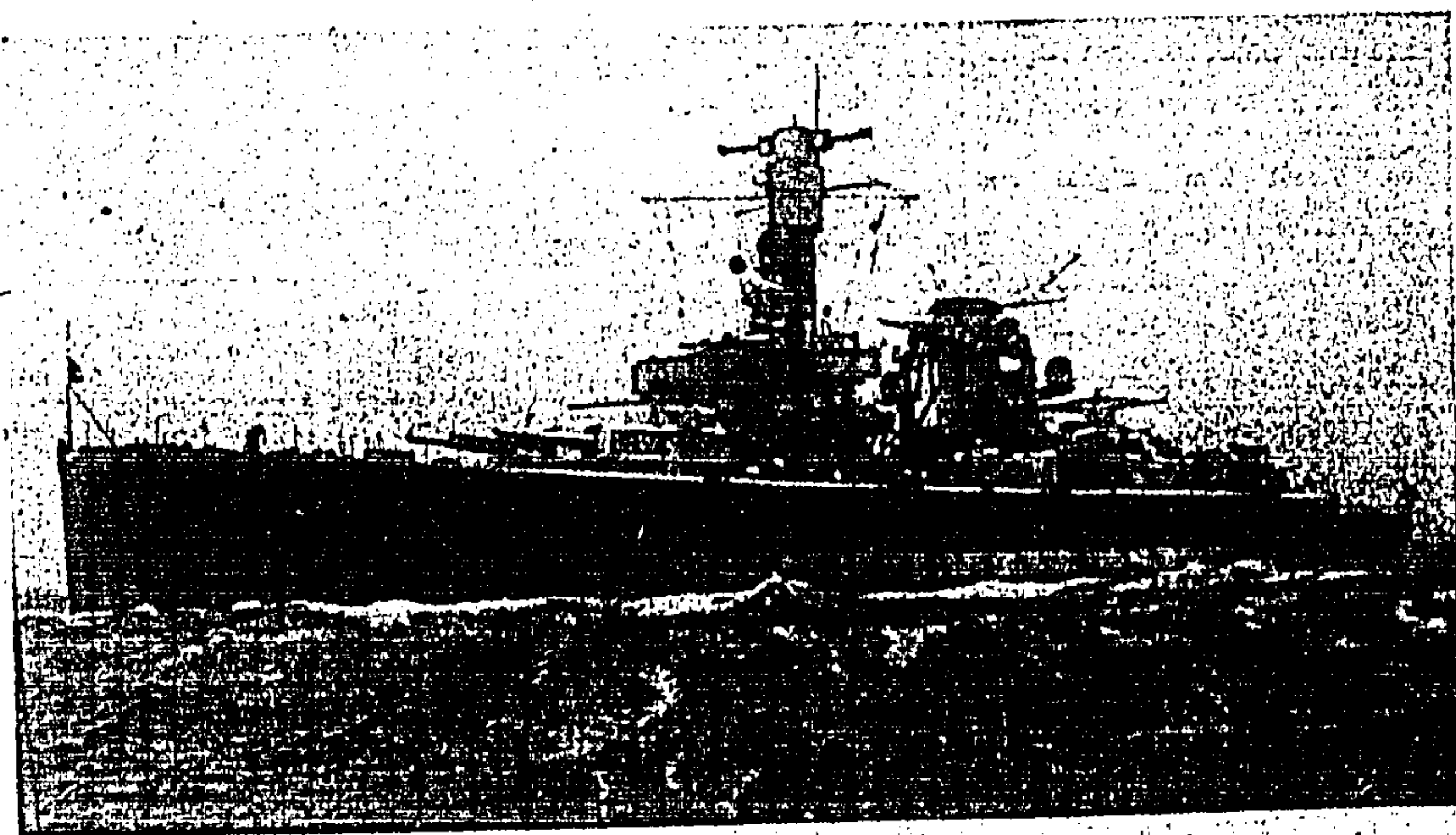
Despite a flat Finnish denial that any such incident has occurred, the Soviet press has begun a new campaign of threats.

The Soviet press goes into a hysterical denunciation of the Finnish Government.

Russian workers' groups are being organised into protest meetings. One meeting is passing a resolution demanding the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the important fortified area of Karelia, which was the subject of the original Soviet demands on Finland.

Other meetings re-echo the old Nazi cry of their patience being exhausted.

Finland's Compromise Offer  
PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Finland has agreed to withdraw her troops 25 kilometres from the Soviet frontier if Soviet troops are withdrawn to a similar distance, according to a Helsingfors dispatch.



THE DEUTSCHLAND

Australia To Spend 50,000,000 On War

## AMAZING EFFORT BY DOMINIONS

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The determination of Australia and Canada to give maximum co-operation to the British war effort was emphasised by the Australian Air Minister and the Canadian Finance Minister, broadcasting from Ottawa on Friday.

### Nazis Mine Warfare

## NEED NOT ALARM BRITAIN

### Combatting Methods Being Developed

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the alarmist views on the mine-laying campaign are discredited here because:

1.—Magnetic mines are nothing new and were used in the last war. Methods of dealing with them exist and are being developed with rapidity by the Admiralty.

2.—The western ports of Great Britain and France are entirely unaffected by the laying of mines.

### No Ports Closed

3.—Even eastern ports are affected only to minor degree. For example, no eastern port has been closed to shipping at any time since indiscriminate mine-laying started. During the period when shipping losses were at their height, a shipping convoy of considerable size steamed through the mined area and arrived at its destination without loss or damage.

4.—The Danish Board of Trade has proclaimed the existence of a "fairway" for the use of Scandinavian shipping from Kaizerark to the British coast, thus indicating an intention to maintain exports to Great Britain as heretofore.

### May Prove Boomerang

5.—The new methods of warfare are used in violation of international law to score a preliminary success, but always history shows that such success is short-lived, and means will be quickly discovered in combatting the new device.

Moreover the adoption of illegal methods is often a boomerang, as witness Germany's use of gas in the last war.

Some indication of the boomerang is seen in Britain's plan to place an embargo on German export in the way of reprisal.

The Australian expenditure in the first year of the war will be £50,000,000, nearly four times the expenditure in the first year of the last war.

Almost double the number of men are training.

### 20,000 Air Pilots

Twenty-thousand air pilots are being completely trained in Australia, in addition to the thousands of Australian air fighters to be trained in Canada.

Canadian expenditure in the first year of the war is estimated at £63,000,000.

Orders already placed since the beginning of the war include £5,000,000 in supplies and defence projects in Canada. £1,000,000 supplies from Britain and £2,000,000 worth of aeroplanes from the United States.

### £6,000,000 A Day

Some £6,000,000 per day is now being spent on the war.

Though greater than the daily expenditure in the later years of the last war, this sum represents a materially fraction of national income.

Mr. Colin Clary, the Government's statistician of Queensland, a well-known authority on national income, estimates that Great Britain devoted 60 per cent. of the currently produced national income to war purposes in 1918, whereas to-day she may not exceed 40 per cent.

### Not Yet Maximum Effort

He also estimates that the present production of British industry is about half as much again as in 1918.

Thus it is clear that £6,000,000 a day does not represent the maximum effort of which this country is economically capable, whereas Germany has already mobilised practically her full economic reserves and cannot make a great effort.

## U.S. ENVOY TO REPORT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—The United States Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Kennedy to-day visited Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax preparatory to his departure for the United States by Clipper from Lisbon next Sunday.

Mr. Kennedy is returning to Washington to report to President Roosevelt on the latest war situation.

## MINED SHIP'S DEATH ROLL OF FIVE

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Four members of the Spaarndam, the Dutch steamer which struck a mine off the Thames Estuary this morning, lost their lives.

Three were drowned and two were killed by the explosion.

## LATEST

## JUNK MINED NEAR H.K.

A Hongkong junk was blown up last Thursday by a mine—believed to have been Japanese—according to a belated report just received by the police.

A crew of 24 were thrown into the water, and although 20 were rescued by a passing junk, two are missing, feared to be drowned. The junk was blown up on Thursday morning last off Sam Chung Kan in the San Mei district, believed to be near the West River.

The craft was blown to atoms, and the crew of 25 including the master Kwok Kin-cheung thrown into the water. Fortunately a junk was passing nearby and managed to rescue the majority of the men.

## Parliament In Secret

Session Likely During  
Next Few Weeks

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—It is now probable that Government will accede to the desire of the two Opposition Parties for a secret session within the next few weeks, "Reuter's" Lobby correspondent learns.

The Opposition Parties have made clear that their wish is confined to the question of machinery and supplies for the fighting services.

Naturally the non-Government parties will receive allegations and complaints from the industrial side which they are disinclined to ventilate publicly, lest the allegations prove unfounded.

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8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Variety Programme with George Van Dusen: Alice Faye; Queenie; The Vagabond Lover and Orchestra Mascotte.

Vocal—It's Party Time Again (Van Dusen); George Van Dusen with Orchestra; Vocal—Wake Up and Live (from the film); There's a Lull in My Life (from Wake Up and Live); Alice Faye with Cy Feuer Orchestra; Cinema Organ—Cinema Memories; Intro: These Songs from Orphans of the Storm; Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse; Way Down East; Dorothy Vernon of Flanders Hall; The Miser; Orphans of the Storm; Robin Hood; Charlie Chaplin's Theme; The Gold Rush; Way Down East; The Covered Wagon; What Price Glory; The Singing Fool; Quentin M. Maclean; Vocal—Just a Vagabond Lover (Kester and Hill); As Long As Our Hearts Are Young (Kester and Hill); The Vagabond Lover (Tenor) with Orchestra; Orchestra—Children of Spring—Waltz (Waldteufel); Orchestra Mascotte.

8.30 Studio—Two Piano Recital by Muriel Gubbay and Harry Ore.

1. Fugue in G Minor (Bach); 2. Gavotte in G Major (Mozart); 3. Gavotte Brillante, Op. 22 (Mendelssohn).

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## King and Queen Attend Prayers for Peace



THE KING AND QUEEN leaving St. Paul's Cathedral with the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Frank Bowler, after attending Day of National Prayer service. Prayers for blessings on the Allied arms were said in all cathedrals, churches and chapels in the country.

## WAR SPIRIT OF FRANCE IS FIRM

PARIS.

Flying very low, at 400 feet—no doubt in order not to be mistaken for enemy aircraft—an Air Force aeroplane brought me from London to Paris the other day, says a correspondent.

At the English and there was a feeling of nervous tension; at Le Bourget things seemed more lively.

The British Customs officials who went through my books and papers and private letters seemed a trifle fussy. Two of my most useful possessions were detained for further investigation: a book on strategy by a French general and an Anglo-French military dictionary. It was a pity. But they did it so nicely and so appealingly—"This is war-time," they said, "you do appreciate the position?"

It was much easier at Le Bourget. The French Customs were not much interested in the luggage, and even let fifty cigarettes pass without the usual snort and use to get at Calais and Boulogne. The motor-coach then took us into Paris, and along a long street that seemed half deserted. At one street-corner there was still the remains of a political poster announcing a Dordot meeting—clearly a thing of the past. Near Le Bourget there were strips of paper on all the windows, and all down the road a large proportion of the smaller shops were closed with a label outside: "Ferme proprietaire mobilise."

### The People's Attitude

What are the people saying about it? The old women shake their heads and say, "What a misfortune! And this war is to the French people a misfortune, endangering the lives of millions of people, upsetting and unsettling the lives of millions of homes. And yet everybody knows that it could not be helped, that this war could not be avoided; that if ever there was an inevitable war this was one."

For the last three years France had been in a constant state of alarm, with one partial mobilisation following upon another almost at regular intervals of six months. People felt that it could not go on any longer. They went to the war without enthusiasm, without songs and flag-waving, but with the firm conviction that it was necessary. Their feelings, as somebody remarked, were those of villagers getting together to put out a fire or to chase a band of robbers, who had for a long time been terrorising the neighbourhood.

The choice lay between the acceptance of months or years of hardship and the vassalisation of France, with her destruction as an independent nation. Somebody remarked the other day: "We shall not share the fate of the Czechs and the Poles."

This is not precisely a "war aim," but it is ample reason for the war.

### Unanimous Feeling

The unprecedented vogue of Charles Peguy, a very great writer, but until then scarcely known to the general public, was a sign of the times. "Il faut que France continue," Charles Peguy wrote shortly before being killed on the Marne in 1914. More than anyone he believed in the mission, the Christian mission, of France. This vogue of Peguy's had its practical counterpart in the family code elaborated by the Daladier Government and published on July 20, almost exactly a month before the outbreak of war. The important reforms of the Daladier Government tending to increase France's birth-rate was to be checked by the war—a truly tragic coincidence.

Yet, despite this passionate desire shown by France to live and to "continue," or rather because of it, France accepted the war unanimously. The men joined their regiments without any ideological guidance from any party; it was in any case in no sense an ideological war; by invading Bohemia and by making his pact with Russia Hitler had killed all that ideology which in France had been the source of so much hesitation and so much division. Hitler himself had made that issue crystal clear: what France was fighting now was a war for her own existence.

## WOMEN HOLD UP TROOP TRAIN

A REFUGEE who has just arrived from Vienna told recently how women held up an Austrian troop train, says a correspondent.

He himself saw them, lie on the rails to stop the train.

For three hours the Gestapo fought the women before the train could resume its journey.

Following the expiry of the Turkish Commercial Treaty, the Turkish Government announces that the export of Turkish foodstuffs is to be completely controlled.

It is understood that these exports will now be doled out to the Allies.

At first Turkish traders, now at the beginning of the important season for the export of raisins and figs, had feared ruin through the closure of the German market.

## Amazing Story of Wealthy German Girl

# WOMAN (A RICH REFUGEE) TRIED TO LEARN SECRETS

This astonishing story of a German maid's adventures in England was sent to a London newspaper by a woman reader who wishes to remain anonymous.

When you think of a German refugee you imagine, possibly, a girl with a hunted look in her eyes and a few shillings in her handbag.

She drags a cardboard suitcase containing all the clothes she owns—a poor wail grieved at the parting from her own people but grateful for the shelter of a British home.

That was my idea of a German refugee—until I took Fraulein Schmidt into my house. Schmidt is not her real name. I must disguise everything that could give her identity away, but I will hide nothing else.

I am a respectable middle-class Englishwoman—one of thousands who have been moved by pity to give shelter to refugees from Nazi persecution.

### Postcard—After Eleven Days

When a relative told me that he had received a letter from a German woman, the wife of a former Government official, asking if he knew of a British household that could receive a German girl of 19, of partly Jewish origin, I said that I would take the girl.

I learned that I must employ the girl as a domestic servant and pay her 15s. a week and her board. Although I was told that she had never been trained to any sort of work, I agreed.

That was last December. On March 14 the girl had not arrived; so I wrote to her mother in Germany and asked when I might expect her. Three days later a police sergeant knocked at my door.

"I should like to have a talk with Fraulein Schmidt," he said. "She is not here," I replied, astonished. "So far as I know, she is still in Germany."

"She has landed at a British port," said the sergeant. "I have been asked to explain why her arrival here has not been reported."

On the eleventh day after her arrival in England I received a postcard from her: "I have arrived. Meet me at the station. My husband went to meet her."

Half an hour later a taxicab laden with luggage pulled up at my door. While my husband and the driver



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struggled with nine trunks and suitcases, there stepped from the taxi a tall, handsome young woman, neatly but expensively dressed.

### "Rules? I Only Break Them"

She smiled as she greeted me, but I told her at once of the policeman's call. Then she laughed.

"RULES? SHE EXCLAIMED, 'I DON'T READ RULES. I ONLY BREAK THEM.'"

I could see nothing to laugh at. When I asked her, later that day, how she had managed to bring so much luggage, which included a portable gramophone, she replied:

"Oh, I have four more trunks at my uncle's place in London. He arranged everything for me. I didn't even have to come through the Customs. Two officials from London met me at the docks and made everything easy for me."

"My uncle, you know, was formerly a very high official in Berlin and now is an important man in London. He knows several of your Members of Parliament."

The girl did not look Jewish. I asked her how much Jewish blood was in her, and she said none.

She stayed with me five months. On Aug. 12 she took a holiday and went to London. From her uncle's address she wrote to me.

"Under the Nazi laws I could not return to Germany, which has the intention to expel all people of Jewish origin."

It seemed she could be a Jewish refugee or not, as it suited her. And she was certainly no peasant.

"I was enthusiastically for Hitler at first," she said, but "Acht! when I see what he has done to the good people of Germany I hate him and all his gang. He is mad, and his neurologist is always with him."

"He has many doubles, and already some have suffered for him. One was poisoned, another shot."

And here she said something that still puzzles me greatly. Why was this girl so inquisitive about factories and other big works in our district? She wanted to go through the works where my husband held a responsible position, but I told her it could not be done.

"That's a pity," she said, disappointed. "I wanted to take photographs and see everything. In Norway I always did that."

"IT'S A QUEER HOBBY," I SAID, "FOR A GIRL OF 19."

"LIKE SUCH THINGS," SHE SAID, AND ASKED WHERE ARMED GUARDS AT THE WORKS AND WHETHER ANY ENTRANCE WAS LEFT UNGUARDED."

Jewellery in Easter Eggs

There were no jewellery or furs in her luggage when she arrived, but a little later she came in with a box of tiny chocolate Easter eggs and showed me with great glee how cunningly her mother had hidden pieces of jewellery in the tin foil and chocolate. They included a diamond ring 150 years old.

EVERYTHING THIS GIRL TOLD ME ABOUT THE EVENTS OF THIS SUMMER HAS COME TO PASS.

"If Hitler does not die before August," she said, over and over again, "then in August dreadful things will happen."

The girl left my house suddenly in the middle of August. A few days before that I offered to let her go to London for a few days, but she said she did not wish to go.

Then she heard from her uncle and became frenziedly eager to go. What did they know?

Since her departure I have learned that she told people she was going to Paris. I do know that she has a visa for a South American country, but she is still in London, with her uncle.

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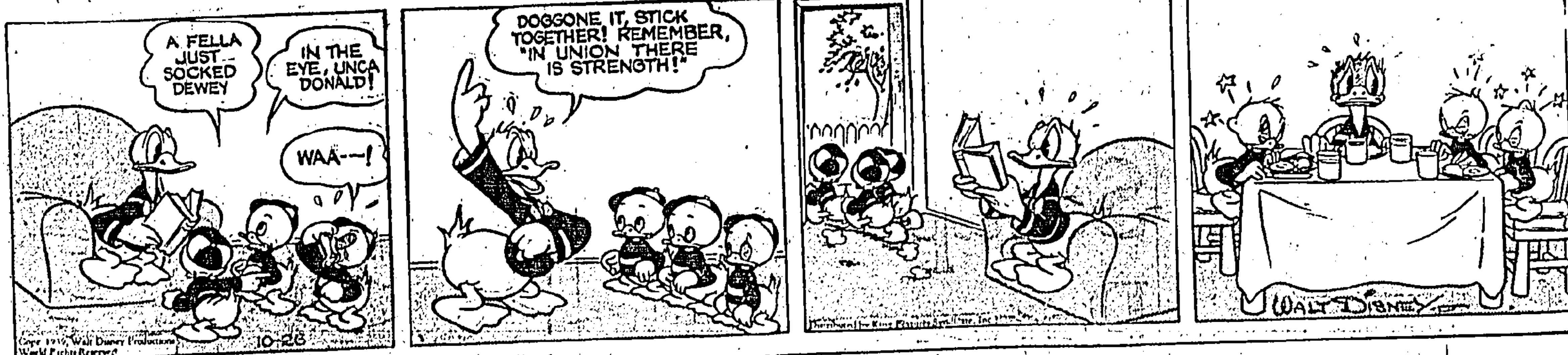
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The plane was the sole survivor of five that took off from behind the Allied lines.

Soon the five were up against fifteen. The fifteen were Messerschmitt fighters, fastest planes in the German air force.

The story was recently released by the Ministry of Information.

Orders had been given for a patrol to reconnoitre a position behind the German line in the most strongly defended part of the Saar.

Anti-aircraft batteries put up a fierce barrage but the R.A.F. machines went through it successfully.

When well over the frontier at a height of over 20,000 ft. the squadron leader sighted the enemy. Out from behind a bank of clouds came nine Messerschmitt fighters.

They approached from directly ahead, flying 2,000 ft. higher. Away on the right another six dived to attack.

The reconnaissance was the work to be done. Nothing must stop it. The British formation flew on.

Breaking concentrated mass fire on each British machine in turn. Their method was to wheel, dive and come up under the tail of our aircraft. Intense fighting lasted for 35 minutes. Three of our machines were shot down; but another made a forced landing, but out of the twelve men forming the crew eight were seen to escape by parachute.

#### Flow On Alone

The squadron leader alone was left. He flew on to finish his job. Dodging, sideslipping, and banking to get away from the concentrated enemy fire, he held the course set for the reconnaissance. In the tail of the aircraft the gunner kept up a steady fire. A stream of bullets hit the engine of the leading Messerschmitt.

The enemy machines swerved, and in a second burst into flames and plunged to earth.

The gunner kept up his fire. One burst hit the second fighter. With black smoke pouring from the nose it went down in a spin; 250 rounds of ammunition had accounted for two enemy aircraft.

Shaken by the gunner's steady and accurate fire, the 12 remaining Germans gave up the fight.

The navigator, the third member of the crew, kept his pilot on the homeward course, though his instruments were smashed and he himself was wounded in the forehead.

#### 80 Bullet Holes

By this time the plane was in a sorry state. There were 80 bullet holes in the fuselage, the wings and rudder were damaged; both petrol tanks were burst and flooding the inside of the fuselage with petrol and flames.

As the machine crossed the frontier the engine failed. From the starboard tank petrol poured through a bullet hole each time the aircraft banked, but by stopping up the hole

with his handkerchief the pilot was able to save enough gas to get home. The landing had to be faced with the retractable undercarriage jammed halfway and the offside tyre shot away.

As the machine touched down it spun in a circle, cartwheeled over on one wing and caught fire. The navigator was flung out on his head with his clothes on fire.

The gunner was jammed inside, but without a thought for his own safety the navigator hauled him out and smothered his blazing coat with bare hands.

The squadron leader had been flung clear and was picked up dazed but not seriously hurt. Before he and the air-gunner were taken to hospital the navigator summed up the fight and the feelings of the crew. "Old Hitler's given me a bit of a headache, but that's nothing to what we'll give him."

Official despatches from French headquarters described the air battles as the fiercest since the war began.

The French say that the losses by both sides are about equal, adding that several French planes have not reported back.

The squadron leader is an Irishman, the navigator an Englishman, and the wireless operator an air gunner a Scot.

### CAPTAIN THANKS

#### RESCUERS

HERE you see the captain of the steamer Kensington Court thanking the pilots of the R.A.F. flying-boats which rescued him and his crew of 33 in the Atlantic.

The skipper, Captain J. Schofield, of South Shields, said that he sent out an SOS as soon as he spotted the submarine. "After we had got into the port boat the ship was torpedoed," he continued. "When we saw the aircraft we all began to cheer as we were flown to the coast we were given tea and cigarettes."

The officer commanding the first flying-boat to arrive is 23 years old. His home is at Wimbledon, London. "After searching round, the submarine we sighted," he said, "and having initiated our collapsible boat we were able to take 20 men aboard without difficulty."

The officer commanding the second flying-boat, whose home is at Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, said, "We were in the air about 20 miles from the first aircraft, and made for the scene unaware that other aircraft were on their way. While we were picking up the remaining 14 men a third flying-boat appeared, but we signalled that all was clear."



## MASTERY HELD BY FRENCH GUNS ON WEST FRONT

From RICHARD CAPELL

### WITH THE FRENCH ARMY.

IN the French armies the war of 1914-1918 is simply referred to as "l'autre"—"the other one."

Somehow or other it gets referred to in almost every conversation. Its ghost will not be laid. All who saw something of the prodigious tragedy have had their memories of it revived.

Deep in a misty autumn wood, I talked with an artillery commandant who had begun his war service in "the other," as all infantrymen in the ranks. He said: "There were times when I could not help despairing of the outcome. The difference today is that I cannot see anything but victory as possible."

One simple geographical fact affords every man in the French armies, the great and the humble alike, an intimate satisfaction. It is that Germany is here, close at hand, and vulnerable. Again and again you hear it said that if actual German soil had suffered but a fraction of what invaded France went through in 1914-18, there would be no war to-day.

#### Crushing Retort Ready

If one arm more than another in the French forces relishes the position it is the artillery. When the guns speak it is a German village that totters and crumbles. If the Germans should choose, one of these days, to batter a French town there is a crushing retort from this side in readiness.

The French artillery is in wonderful fettle, and a long tour of the gun positions supporting a section of the Maginot Line was a singularly pleasant experience.

After a time I began to lose count of the number of good fellows I had

shaken hands with in my series of visits to command posts and dug-outs.

The impression made was that these gunners would have been pleased to show me every single piece of ordnance in the whole region. In some batteries every emplacement had its particular history of ingenuity expended or difficulty overcome.

#### Happy Warriors

The gunner's life has its charm—that his job has for him endless interest. In these artillery messes and command posts the visitor was generously allowed to feel that his small talk about the outside world was welcomed. But conversation always came back to gunnery.

The happy warriors of the front as it is at present are the gunners whose batteries are active. Some are; but by no means all.

Now everyone knows that the gunner's chief idea is to be blazing away. As things are, certain lucky units are getting all the fun. The duty of the rest is to submit with a good grace to the dictum, heard here and again, that there are circumstances in which quiet waiting, too, is a means towards victory.

On one round of visits I was the first and only British representative to be seen by these French gunners. The welcome received could only be read as the expression of a feeling towards Britain which was more than cordial. It was brotherly. A com-mandant, indeed, said to me in so many words: "We are brothers!"

I must record, with the intention of passing it on to the right quarter, the enthusiastic appreciation I more than once heard of the defeat of the German air attack on the North Sea convoy last month.

## RED CHILD'S GUIDE

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ones. The Baltic countries were just as bad. Would you believe that they held up our talks with England by refusing to accept Russian guarantees of their independence!

Goodness, why ever not? hardly like to tell you, Ivan; it's all so good. They pretended we would take advantage of them by using their ports for the glorious Red Navy, and that we might even send in troops.

I say! Is that why we're going to the Battle for a holiday? Yes, dear. I'm glad to say they've taken it all back now. What are you staring at?

Papa Stalin's new yachting cap. It fits him remarkably well. Funny you should say that, Ivan. (Whispering.) It used to belong to the Czar!

O'Connell Foley

### FRONT LINE LETTER

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was ever written. In a war-time letter was the repeated "and don't worry about me; I've got a cushy job miles behind the line"—by men who knew nothing cushier than in the front line. But "it kept the masses from worrying."

And another noble fragment: "I wonder if to-day is as fine a day with you as with us. Sunshine, a few clouds, a perfect day for golf."

Captain—was propped up to write that letter to the girl he had hoped to marry. He was dying, and knew it.

W. T. K.

## "Pocket Battleships" Are Kept on the Run

By A NAVAL CORRESPONDENT

Germany, faced by the steady failure of her U-boat campaign, is now forced to consider her lack of success in her endeavour to recoup herself by sending out a couple of surface raiders.

These ships, the Deutschland and the Admiral Scheer, have accomplished extraordinarily little destruction, although they are in a sense freak vessels designed for commerce destruction.

With the low displacement of 10,000 tons, they combine exceptional radius of action, a speed higher than nearly all merchant ships and an armament superior to any cruiser in existence.

It is true that their armour protection is limited, so that they would stand no chance of survival in a fight with a genuine battleship or battle-cruiser. But there are only five ships in the navies of the Allies—the Hood, Renown, Repulse, Dunkerque and Strasbourg—which could both overtake and destroy one of these "pocket battleships."

Captain Visits Admiralty It may be reckoned to the credit of the Admiralty that, in spite of their having succeeded in reaching important trade routes, neither the Admiral Scheer nor the Deutschland has so far been able to remain there long enough to find many victims. The only known casualty to be credited to the Admiral Scheer is the British liner Clement, whose master, Capt. F. C. P. Harris, visited the Admiralty to recount his experiences. Admiralty broadcasts that the Deutschland had been sighted in the North Atlantic, but this is not confirmed in British naval circles.

Though she has sunk two ships, the

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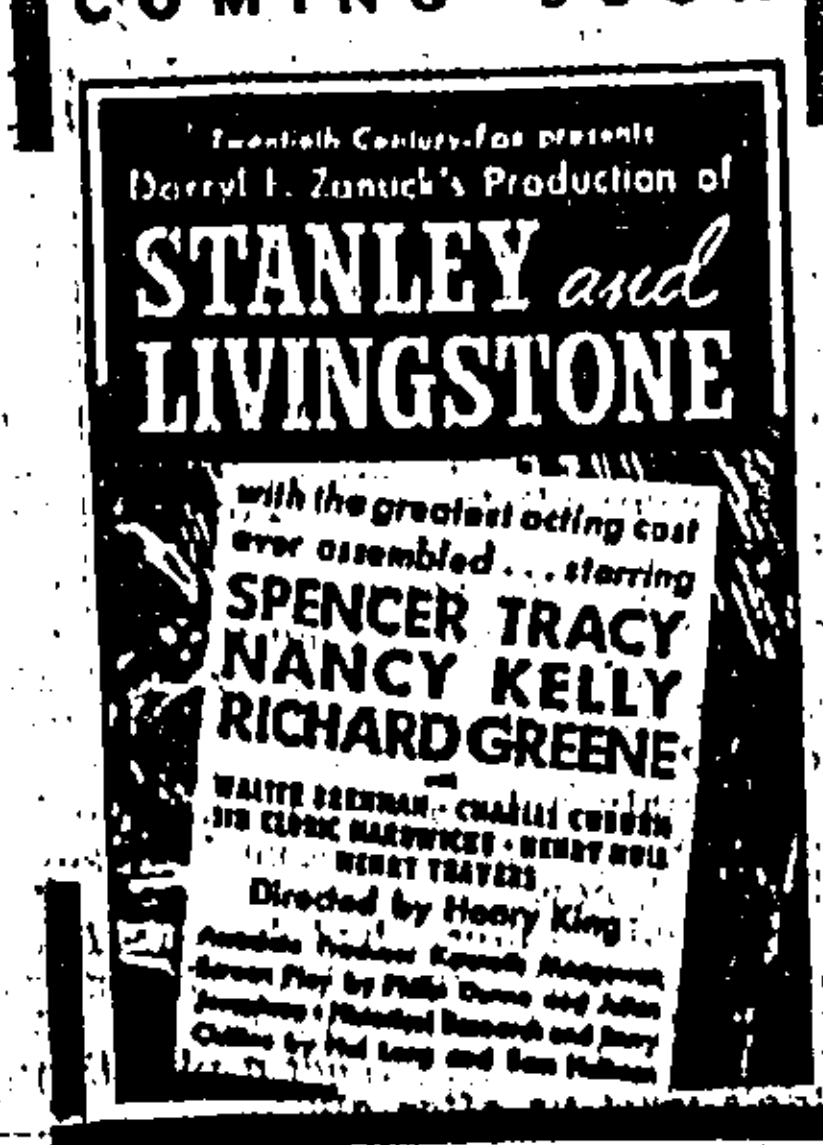
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### Bad News, Good Propaganda

"The people of this country are resolute enough to hear bad news." Here Prime Minister Chamberlain gives a key to much in the war news—and in the war. The British can take their bad news straight. There have been no soft words in London's reporting of war losses; sometimes, indeed, it has almost seemed that officialdom intentionally sharpened bad news with blunt statement. But Mr. Chamberlain knows his people, and also that honesty is the best propaganda.

Referring to German claims of damaging or sinking the Hood, the Repulse, and the Ark Royal, he says such reports "may serve for a time to raise their spirits but in the end their falsity will be demonstrated and the consequent disappointment will be only the more depressing." He might have quoted a certain high authority on German and English propaganda in the World War.

Thus the English soldier could not even for a moment have the impression that his country had taught him the wrong facts, something which was unfortunately the case to such an extent with the German soldier that he finally rejected everything that came from this side as "swindle." Adolf Hitler wrote those words in "Mein Kampf," and in this war he has tried to avoid repeating World War blunders. But there are indications that Berlin is being more honest with other peoples than with the Germans themselves. For some of the material allowed to come out could not be circulated in Germany. Even before this war started many Germans would have rejected with Herr Hitler's own strong words the "news" his Propaganda Ministry furnished.

Berlin may have counteracted some of this distrust by reporting certain German losses, but it has been far less blunt about bad news than London. Moreover the German Government has so "protected" its people from news even from neutral countries that listening to foreign radio reports is a capital offence. Indeed, it appears that the whole structure of the Hitler regime is so dependent on saving the German people from the impact of uncensored news that it is bound to repeat the mistakes denounced in "Mein Kampf." And when unpleasant facts finally break through how devastating must be their effect!

# Stalin Signed a Scrap of Paper

BY ANNA GINSBURG

FINLAND—a modest country of some four million cultured, industrious and democratically-minded people, finds herself in the headlines of world news to-day due to the sudden challenge to her independence.

That this challenge should come from Russia, Finland's sovereign in the past and her friendly neighbour since the Revolution, is a matter of import in more than one respect, as it signifies a change in Russia's treatment of "weak nations" with its inevitable consequences upon world politics at large.

The relationship between the two countries is determined by the Dorpat Treaty, which gave Finland independence, and the Non-Aggression Pact of 1932, under which Russia agrees to respect the Russo-Finnish border and settle the difficulties that may arise in an amicable way.

THE present Russian demands, supported by the threat to use force, are for strategic naval bases in the Gulf of Finland, with a view of strengthening Leningrad's security, and a mutual assistance pact along the lines of those negotiated with other Baltic states.

In exchange Russia is prepared to cede a part of Karelia, a vast, but strategically valueless territory, with considerable Finnish population.

Although—not expressly so stated, the whole tone of Soviet proposals bears evidence of an uncompromising stand, which meets with the no less irreconcilable attitude of the Finnish Government.

Apparently, Finland has decided to defend her integrity and independence by all possible means and, knowing the character of the Finns, there is little doubt that she will pursue this policy to the end.

Unless Russia modifies her demands, a conflict will arise, where both parties may resolve to take to arms.

THE Russian action, which is officially explained as "the necessity to secure reliable defence in order to have a free hand in international affairs, continue the policy of neutrality and cease the war," is in fact motivated by two main reasons.

The first of them is the reversal of Soviet's foreign policy toward the minorities and small states following the conclusion of the Russo-German pact, and the second one—the long-lived enmity between Russia and her former vassal, to whom she gave independence in 1917, and which has since steadily moved to the right, developing into a progressive and tolerant democracy.

Viewing the recent political developments in Europe one can but sadly state that the problem of co-existence of strong and weak nations is becoming ever so sharp.

The rivalry for subordination of those who are not strong enough to resist now involves champions of opposite political creeds, and the sport-like game for domination that we witness to-day is reminiscent of the struggle for colonial possessions in the last century.

FINLAND has a long tradition of struggle for independence. For six centuries, she was united with Sweden, then taken by Russia in 1808 and incorporated in the Russian Em-

## The "Telegraph" Picked This Out

Look now on that Adventurer who hath paid His vows to Fortune: who, in cruel plight Of virtuous hope, of liberty, and right, Hath followed wheresoe'er a way was made By the blind Goddess;—ruthless, undismayed; And so hath gained at length a prosperous height,

Round which the elements of worldly might Beneath his haughty feet, like clouds, are laid! O joyless power that stands by lawless force! Curses are his dire portion, scorn, and hate, Internal darkness and unquiet breath;

And, if old judgments keep their sacred course, His from that height shall Heaven precipitate By violent and ignominious death.

—William Wordsworth.

## FRONT LINE LETTER

### Hero Who Did Not Return

A HERO of the Kiel raid and a bombing raid over Germany: is First Class Aircraftman Alan Wilson.

He wrote to his mother before the last raid telling her he was just going on a raid over Germany.

"I have left instructions for it to get posted if I do not come back. . . . You know, darling, I have died for the country I love, for the country I hope will be made safe for people like yourself."

He did not return. He was only 18½.

THAT letter from "the boy who did not come home" in yesterday's "Telegraph" was, I think, the noblest letter from a soldier to wife, mother or sweetheart I have ever read—and I have read many soldiers' letters home.

"Dear mother, I am in the pink, hoping you and all at home are the same . . ." was the traditional

pire.

During the 10th century there was a continuous growth of Finnish national consciousness, which resulted in a big strike in 1908 that gave Finland her first democratic constitution and the world its first really democratic Parliament.

In 1917, immediately after the Russian Revolution, there was a Red Coup d'Etat in Finland, and the Socialist Workers' Republic was declared. It was opposed by the organized White forces which, helped by Germany, won the war and ex-

After the end of the civil war a new Diet was elected and slightly modified the Constitution of 1900, but the fear of Russia and of Communism led to the formation of a kind of Finnish "Gestapo"—Civic Guards.

In 1930 there was an outbreak of Fascist activity, which resulted in the complete disbanding of the Communist Party, and was instrumental in passing an act of Parliament, by which no member of any party working for the overthrow of the state was to be elected.

As the review of a span of Finnish history reveals, the relationship between Finland and Russia has never been cordial, but always tense due to political discord.

As commercially the two countries also little depend upon each other, and there are no racial ties between the two peoples, there is really nothing which would prevent Russia from abusing her weaker neighbour when her own interests are at stake.



"THE VOLGA BOATMEN".  
From the Paris magazine, Aux Eclats.

## A Russian child's guide to a very awkward situation

WHAT'S that funny hat father's putting on?

Hush, Ivan. That's Papa Stalin's new yachting cap, and he's very proud of it. Papa Stalin's going for a holiday in the Baltic.

How lovely! Shall we go too?

Yes, dear, but don't tell any one. Papa Stalin's going first to find a nice place for us. He's been working so hard at his nasty old medical exams.

Is that why that beastly von somebody came to stay with us? Is he father's tutor?

You mustn't talk of Reichminister Ribbentrop like that. He's a very clever gentleman indeed.

Then why did Papa Stalin tell Mr. Molotov that he was going to teach Herr von a thing or two?

Ivan! You must not repeat such conversations. (Quickly.) What else did father say?

He said von R. had got to learn what encirclement really meant, but he would pretty soon. Then he said lebensraum was a Russian word really, but von R. could have swat feet of it at any time, and he would take the rest. . . . Father and Mr. Molotov laughed like anything. Why does father laugh so much these days? Did he pass in his exams?

Yes, dear. He was top of the class in the Anatomy of Non-aggression and first in Political Surgery. They practised on Poland. Mr. Ribbentrop used the knife and your father administered the anaesthetic.

What happened to the patient?

Oh, the patient died, but the operation was a success. Your father and Mr. Ribbentrop have agreed that there is no need for an inquest, whatever any one may say.

And who will they practise on next, do you think?

Ah, that's what every one would like to know. Mr. Ribbentrop thinks they should operate on Rumania, but Papa Stalin says "Wait." Your father thinks he can look after Rumania himself and Bulgaria too. His friend Mr. Sarajoglu from Turkey told him that there should be no more need for operations. Papa Stalin has great respect for Mr. Sarajoglu's opinion.

Oh, yes, Mr. Sarajoglu's such a nice man. I asked him how long he was staying and he said, "Ask your father. For ever, by the looks of things."

Now, dear, you know how busy Papa Stalin is. All these queer people from Latvia and Poland and every day and taking up all his time. Still, it will be lovely when we've fixed up all our accommodation at the seaside.

Ooh, wonderful, when shall we go?

Well, dear, your Uncle Voroshilov is having a look round the Gulf of Finland—such safe paddling for us all—and you'll be able to fly your airplanes everywhere in Latvia. And there are two grand islands called Dagoo and Oesel near by, and you can sail all your little ships round them at once.

But don't those islands belong to the Estonians?

Yes, of course, but they've lent them to us. And then there are two nice sandy harbours—Windau and Lindau, especially Lindau.

And until the Estonians and so on throw flowers at us—you know, like Papa Stalin said they did in Poland?

Er, no, I don't suppose so. But remember, the Poles begged us to come in to save them.

Well, why didn't they let our soldiers march in to help them before the Nazis started fighting?

Ivan, you know perfectly well that's why father's talks with England and France broke down. The Poles have low, suspicious minds.

They actually said that once the Red Army crossed into Poland they didn't trust us after all.

I bet they're sorry, too, now. So to prove how wrong they were Papa Stalin will take our soldiers out of Poland as soon as the Germans are beaten!

Certainly not. I mean . . . don't you see that half of Poland is part of Russia now?

So if the Poles had let the Red Army go right through at the start we'd have the whole of Poland instead of only half. What a pity they didn't trust us after all!

Yes, and they are not the only

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### Prague Students Murdered

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter Bulletin).—Travelers returning from Czechoslovakia state that the Nazis executed 120 students from the Prague University 10 days ago.

Twelve hundred students were marched to the aerodrome outside the city and one in every 10 lined up against a wall and shot, while the other students were then taken away to concentration camps.

### Hull Lauds Speech

**Finds Agreement With Mr. Chamberlain**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the American Secretary of State, in a formal statement today said that he was gratified, but not surprised at Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech, in which he said that increased trade is the prerequisite for a lasting peace in Europe.

#### Endorses Statement

Mr. Hull hoped, when the time came, to give these economic ideas broad and effective application.

Mr. Hull specifically endorsed Mr. Chamberlain's statement that only by an increased interchange of goods and services can the standard of living be improved.

Mr. Hull indicated strongly for the first time that he would insist on a re-enactment of the Trade Agreements Act on its expiry in 1940.

This programme has been carried out in the conviction that it is essential to bring back the balance of American agriculture to industry.

### Press On Nazi War Methods

**Counter-Measures Expected Soon**

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The "Daily Express" says that every war produces some new method and we are now going through one such patch.

In the last war, U-boats and gas made trouble for a time, but counter-measures were soon in operation.

Britain's seaports are still open and her ships are still coming in.

Commenting on the reaction to the British ban on German exports, the "Daily Mail" asks whether we should sit idly by while the Nazis wait for starvation.

The only alternative to stopping the Nazi exports would be to retaliate by laying mines indiscriminately as the Nazis have done, but "this we will never do."

#### Oslo's Representations

OSLO, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government will make representations to London in connection with the latest measures by the Allies in pursuance of their economic warfare.

### STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: In spite of the indications of Saturday's trading that the volume would be maintained today, a Monday feeling has pervaded the market. There has only been a small display of activity.

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A Lecture entitled "The Universal Law of Law" will be given by the Rev. Father Casey, S. J. at 8.30 p.m. to-morrow in the Hongkong University Union Assembly Room. All interested are welcome.

### Frenchman Heads Allied Committee

**Economic Co-operation**

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Paris officials have stressed that M. Jean Monnet, former inter-Allied commission representative who has been appointed President of the Anglo-French Committee to co-ordinate raw materials and munitions purchases abroad, is now an Allied, not a French official.

#### His appointment is the first of its kind.

#### Stinging Reply To Nazis

It is pointed out that the Allied scheme of economic co-operation is already being practically implemented, which is declared to be a stinging reply to the German propaganda alleging that Allied co-operation is only window-dressing.

The appointment of a Frenchman is warmly welcomed as further proof of the unreserved confidence existing between the Allies.

It is described as typically British to play to adopt a French chairman because the Committee function in London.

### New Trawler Fleet

**British Answer To Magnetic Mines**

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Between November 19 and 25, eleven British ships totalling 25,787 tons, two French ships totalling 3,000 tons and four neutral ships totalling 23,049 tons were sunk by German action.

Germany's laying of magnetic mines has brought an appeal from the Admiralty for 200 trawlers.

A far greater number of trawlers, complete with crew, have already volunteered and will be formed as a special part of the Trawler Reserve.

#### Swedish Protest To Reich

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The Government has protested to Germany against the latter's action in laying mines inside Sweden's four-mile zone.

The right to claim indemnity for losses is reserved.

### PILOT'S DARING ESCAPE

**Flies Low Over Nazi Fortifications**

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Commenting on R.A.F. raids on Wilhelmshaven and Holland a few days ago, the Air Ministry states that one pilot flew so low that he was able to take the Nazis by surprise and get his cameras going before the Nazis opened fire.

Many valuable photographs were taken.

The weather was bad. Ice formed on the wings and there were low-flying clouds and electrical disturbances, making the return flight a difficult piece of navigation.

The planes met with intensive anti-aircraft fire over Wilhelmshaven, both from "pom poms" and from "flying onions" which burst in groups of red, blue and orange smoke.

### NEW "FREEDOM" RADIO STATION

**Tells Of Agents In The Krupp Factories**

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The new German "Freedom" Station came on the air on Sunday night.

The announcer said that the sponsors of the station were receiving detailed information from Krupp and other factories through their agents.

The announcer said that the station was operating in the Ruhr district under the name of the regular Nazi station, "Deutschland Sender," adding the adjective, which he accented, "Free."

The adjective means "Free."

### NAZI CAMPAIGN A FAILURE

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—A French military expert comments that the Nazis were at one time confident of the success of their U-boat and air warfare.

The U-boat and air campaigns have failed to come up to expectations, and this explains the Nazi decision to intensify the mine warfare.

But the British found a necessary solution in the last war and "will do so again."

### R.A.F. FORM NEW SQUADRON

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The new fighter squadron of the R.A.F., to which the Nimrod of Hyderabad contributed £100,000, is now being formed.

Its pilots will be drawn from Britain, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa.

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overs for one wicket. Lloyd and Anderson did most of the damage with four for thirty and three for thirty respectively.

#### ANDERSON'S FINE INNINGS

DONALD ANDERSON at last has managed to run into his true form. He started slowly—I nearly wrote shakily—but settled down and, though he had seen five batsmen go for practically nothing, he played himself in.

Hung maimed Osozio, who bowled excellently, and was taken at mid-off. Baxter (L.B.W.) and Ropley (bowled) both fell to balls that kept low, pitching, it seemed, on the leg stump. Broadbridge tried to knock Osozio off but was well caught at long on, while A. Zimmern was bowled at once.

It was not until Lloyd came in that K.C.C. looked like saving the match. The newcomer's great reach helped him to deal with balls that would have been very dangerous to a shorter batsman. Anderson watched everything and began to score fast.

Rodrigues put on G. N. Gosano for E.L., who had bowled steadily on a pitch which did not suit him, and then switched Osozio to the other end, and brought E. L. Gosano back at the Pavilion end.

Osozio yanked Lloyd, for a most useful score of twenty-two, and had at that time taken all six wickets. K.C.C. had just time and, though Teddy Fincher was run out in busting, R. E. Lee hit one past cover for two to win the match. It was a great finish, just about two or three minutes before time.

But the game as a whole showed that both Clubs rely too much on two or three individuals. I hear great things of Kowloon's fielding. I have seldom seen a side field better than the Rovers, and their throwing in was extraordinarily accurate.

### University Again Escape

AT POKFULAM, Craignower made very light of the University bowling after Gegg had got rid of A. R. H. Esmail, and A. H. P. Lim pretty cheaply.

They totalled 153 for three wickets, of which E. A. Lee, who is in great form just now, made top score with 61 not out.

George Souza had 38 not out and he seems to be settling back to form.

#### ENCOURAGING

THE UNIVERSITY batting was encouraging so far that the later men all did their share of staying off the field after the first four batsmen had failed. In fact the first six batsmen between them only got 27 runs.

Then Sen Gupta (13) and Lingam (19) held up the wicket. They both were run out in the end. Chin Thian-siew saved things with an excellent score of 37. Mather and R. Singh held up the last wicket and saved the game. I am afraid that the University are not really up to last eleven standard though they are playing very excellently indeed. But they must improve their calling and judgment of a run.

#### R.A.F. Draw

THE CRAIGENGOWER 2nd eleven knocked up 136 against the R.A.F. A.B. Hanson, who formerly used to play for the 1st eleven was top scorer with 41, and A. Hung got 28. Nancarrow took 6 wickets for 39, a satisfactory piece of bowling.

When the Air Force went into bat they did not come off as well as usual. Their best bats were away—but they managed to stop in the end and scored 76 runs for 6 wickets. Mr. Extras was easily top with 25, of which 13 were leg byes! Only two men got into double figures.

#### All Round Cricket

AT SOOKUNPOO, quite a strong Army side beat the Police very comfortably. They were definitely too heavy metal for the visitors, who found the Army bowlers, too good for them.

Denyer, who is a deadly bowler against the weaker batsmen, had the figures of 4.5/1/8/5, which was an excellent performance. Ratcliffe took 2 for 7 in 6 overs and Murphy 3 for 10. Denyer followed up his fine bowling by an innings of 55 retired, but previous to this the game had been a draw.

Whatman made 28 and Patterson 31, both retired. The final score was 163 for 8 wickets.

#### C.S.C.C. Beaten

I see that a very weak Civil Service 2nd eleven were beaten by the D.B.S. by 5 wickets. For the School J. Fisher made 64 and C. Whitfield 32. The match finished with a very bad light which is, as often as not, harder on the fieldsmen than on the batsmen.

### I.R.C. Juniors' Beat Feat To Date

THE INDIAN R.C. juniors performed their best feat of the current cricket season when they defeated the Hongkong

### India Retains Man-Power.

**Only Few Europeans Allowed To Leave**

DELHI, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Since the beginning of the war, European residents in India between the ages of 16 and 50 have been prevented from leaving the country save for very important reasons.

This is in order to guard against any great loss of man-power.

The restriction has now been relaxed and special permits will be granted to men over 35 years of age. Permits will be granted to those for the United Kingdom, the Dominions and the Colonies, but permits for other countries, particularly for men under 35, will continue to be granted very sparingly.

### Belgium Army Leave Stopped

**More Rumours Of Nazi Movements**

BRUSSELS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—On Sunday night Belgian authorities again commandeered motor buses and army leave was cancelled.

The Ministry of National Defence says that the authorities were commandeering buses only for a day.

There is no confirmation of the Paris report that German troops have been moving about in the Aix-Les-Chapelles (Aachen) region close to the Belgian frontier.

### OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Island of Lost Men" (Queen's and Alhambra): Chinese jungle banditry. Film dominated by J. Carroll Naish's arresting characterization as "King of the River." Supporting cast includes Anna May Wong, Broderick Crawford and Eddie Blalock.

"Secret Service of the Air" (Oriental): Film based on true-life diaries of an ex-chief of the U.S. Secret Service. A full-fledged melodrama. Ronald Reagan the attractive hero assisted by John Lill, James Stephenson and Ila Rhodes.

"Dark Victory" (King's): A popular love story, actually deals with the manner in which a girl waits for an inevitable death. Belle Davis invests the story with vivid life, sympathy and understanding. Works well with George Brent, Humphrey Bogart and Geraldine Fitzgerald in supporting roles.

### Practically All Quiet On W.F.

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—A communique issued to-day states that there was local infantry and artillery engagement during the morning.

Otherwise there was nothing to report.

#### C.C. seconds at Sookunpoo by 45 runs on Saturday.

Scoring was on the low side. The Indians, batting first, totalled 130 as the result of steady rather than brilliant batting, but against this, the Club side, which had looked formidable on paper, made only 85 in reply.

The best innings of the day was that of R. Sufiad, who batted attractively for his 31. It is a pity that his hours of duty prevent him from putting in regular practice; otherwise many more runs would flow regularly from his bat.

The Indians might have been dismissed for less than 120 had a couple of catches late in the innings been accepted.

Even then, however, the final score of 130 seemed well within the capabilities of the Club batsmen, especially as they had nearly two hours in which to make these runs.

#### PAINTFULLY SLOW

BUT R. M. M. King, and H. J. Armstrong, who opened the Club innings, were painfully slow, refusing to take the slightest risk against bowling which, at best, could only be termed "steady." Seven overs were required before they were able to take the score to 10 and the first 30 was hoisted after 60 minutes.

A. K. Mackenzie and R. S. W. Paterson made an attempt to speed up the rate of scoring, and it was when they were associated that the best bits of the game were seen.

#### BRIGHT BATTING

HITTING OUT to good effect and taking many snappy short runs, Mackenzie seemed unfettered by the bowling, but he rather foolishly ran himself out when attempting an impossible second run.

After his dismissal, there was little hope for the Club and the last wicket fell at 85.

The two best bowlers of the day were D. S. Robb, of the Club, who took five wickets for 77 runs, and A. el Arcuill, Jr., who captured five Club wickets for only 31.

Robb was heavily punished at times, but his steadiness yielded five well-deserved wickets.

For less than 100 of the veteran cricketer who used to captain the Indian R.C. 1st XI many years ago, is a distinct "find" for the Indians. A medium-paced bowler, he kept a fine length on Saturday and despite the heaviness of the pitch managed to impart quite a bit of pace off the ground.

### British Balloon In Norway

**OSLO, Nov. 27 (Dome).—A** sensation was caused among local citizens when a British air defence balloon drifted across the North Sea and unexpectedly appeared over Mandal, at the southern end of Norway, on Sunday afternoon.

Troops were called out and with their help the balloon was finally lowered after difficult operations.

As luck would have it, a match carelessly lit by one of the spectators ignited the balloon which immediately blew up.

One Norwegian was killed and two were wounded.

British aces were also sighted on Sunday over Arendal on the southern coast of Norway and Eern on the south-western coast of Norway.

### A Look Through The "Telegraph"

**50 YEARS AGO**

Nov. 28, 1889.

Nothing shows so clearly the radical difference between the mental bias of the sexes as their fashions. Those of women are rapid, general and pronounced, while with men fashion changes rarely and gradually. Nor are the vagaries of fashion confined to dress. There are fashions in immorality as well as in hats, styles in dissipation as well as in hats, and popular forms of suicide are the peculiarity of the sexes show out, but in nothing more conspicuously than in suicide. When a man makes up his mind to bring his life to a speedy termination, the chances are two to five that he will hang himself. After hanging comes shooting.

With women the fashions in suicide are very different and far more changeable than amongst men. It may be assumed that women who contemplate suicide have never seen other women who have actually committed the rash action, otherwise the blunders they make would be unparalled. The fundamental idea of a woman's mind is that she shall not disgrace herself. Such a thing never occurs to a man. Acting on this notion, a woman rarely cuts her throat, or blows her brains out, or avoids throwing herself over the cliffs, or indeed does anything which will disgrace her in itself, but she would like to make a good corpse. A woman, therefore, who kills herself does so, in eleven instances out of twelve, in one of three ways: by poison, by drowning, or by hanging.

#### 25 YEARS AGO

Nov. 28, 1914.

Countries at War: Germany, Austria and Turkey against Britain, Russia, France, Belgium, Japan, Serbia, Montenegro.

Mr. Churchill has announced that the battleship Barham has been blown up at Sheerness. Mr. Churchill added that only twelve men of the Barham, which belonged to the Fifth Battle Squadron, were saved out of 700 or 800.

The following passage is published at Munich from a letter from "the well-known Colonial painter, Vollbrecht, who is one of the official battle painters."

At the desire of the Emperor I was required to show him all the 40 pictures that I have painted. The Emperor was in a very confident mood and his pride in the brave army and his German people flashed from his eyes at every word.

#### 10 YEARS AGO

Nov. 28, 1929.

Wang Shao-hung, one of the "Big Four" of the Kwangsi Clique, arrived at Tientsin on the evening of the 26th and has taken over command. It is understood, of the Kwangsi armies now advancing down the West River on Canton. Over 60,000 Kwangsi troops are reported to be concentrated at Tientsin awaiting the order to advance.

#### 5 YEARS AGO

Nov. 28, 1934.

A certain number of Communist troops are known to be in the vicinity of Wuchow. The danger at the present moment is that the Communists along the banks of the Fu River will advance down to Wuchow which is reported to be weakly protected by troops. The presence of Kwangsi and Hunanese forces in the neighbourhood, however, may deter the Communists.

China wishes to dwell in peace with Japan, on a basis of equality and fraternity, declared Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, yesterday, in an interview granted to a representative of the Japanese newspaper, the "Onaka Asahi."

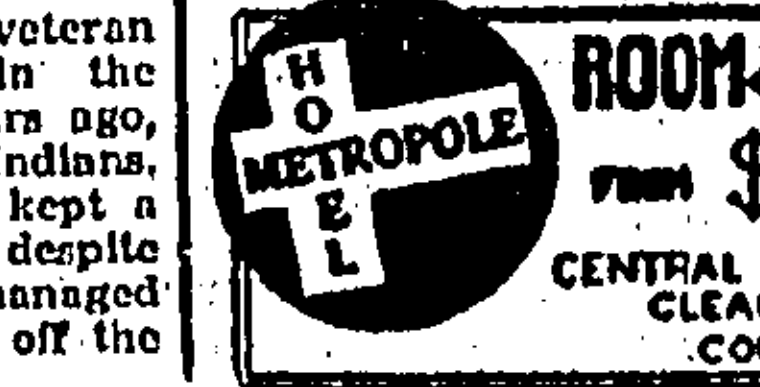
China and Japan are brother nations; both of them should deal with the other in a friendly and honest way, by which they can live at peace together.


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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

# LEAGUE MAY BE DISORGANISED

## Possibility Of Volunteer Camps Later In The Present Season

THE ENTHUSIASM which is being displayed in cricket this year is most encouraging, and in spite of Camp difficulties most teams are managing to turn out some sort of a side and carry on. I have, however, heard a rumour that there will be a further series of camps starting somewhere about the third week in January.

I do not vouch in any way for this statement, but if it is correct, I rather think it will mean the abandonment of the League. However, if the present enthusiasm is maintained it will not really matter.

THE CLUB managed to raise a team against the I.R.C. first eleven by calling on their outside members, their regular team being cut up by camp and drills. Richardson, Perry and Porteus played from the Civil Service, Godby from the Army, and W. G. Finkle from the Navy. Two substitutes helped to begin with, but later another man turned up, and finally Alec Pearce suddenly appeared in time to play a very bright innings by the courtesy of the I.R.C., as, not having fielded, he was not strictly entitled to bat. (N.B. This is what I was told—I had left for K.C.C. before that).

### A POOR START

THE INDIANS batted first and Godby bowled from the Naval Yard end. His good length ball was always dangerous, but it seemed to go just outside the off stump, while he sent down some shocking long-hops. Perry at the other end was very steady, but after watching him for a while I think I have discovered why he does not get the wickets he seems to deserve. The trouble is that he bowls out-swingers but pitches them for the most part on or just outside the off stump which enables the batsman safely to ignore them unless they are of such length that they can be punished. In his first over, six balls were ignored, a short one was cut for two, and one pitched about on the leg stump did everything but bowl Nazarin. If he could stick to that for six balls an over with only a couple of the others he would force the batsman to play at him and would get far more slip catches than he does now.

Godby never found a length, and at 23 was lucky to get A. H. Rumjahn to flick at a very short one to be taken at second slip (23-1-8). A. H. Kitchell succeeded and Finkle relieved Godby, but at 32 Perry's perseverance was rewarded as Nazarin tried to cut one he should have left alone and was smartly taken at first slip 32-2-17.

### CAREY FINDS A LENGTH

CAREY succeeded Perry, and in his first over failed to find a length, as his second ball was smacked to mid-wicket for four, and a full toss went to the square leg boundary, and 50 was up in forty minutes. Carey then found his length. He sent down

a real good 'un to which Kitchell played forward but was bowled all the way. (51-3-13).

Bakar, promoted in the original order, came in, but both he and Madar were stuck up by the slow bowler. The latter played Finkle very well, on driving him for four, and then taking a short one on the off which resulted in a four over-throw.

Next over, however, Carey tempted Bakar down the pitch and Porteus smartly stumped him (61-4-1), while K. M. Rumjahn, after hitting a full-toss for four, was very finely caught and bowled as Carey dived down the pitch and took the ball very close to the ground. It was thought at the time it was off the ninth ball of the over, but it subsequently transpired that a no-ball had been called but not heard in the scoring box.

### A GOOD STAND

WITH FIVE DOWN for 65, the Indians had not made a good start, but Madar, who was, as usual, watching the ball very closely, was joined by A. M. Rumjahn, and no further success met the efforts of the Club bowlers until Richardson went on and bowled Madar (43), and had A. M. Rumjahn (44) stumped. Hide got M. el Arcuili at once, but Minu hit out for 20 not out, and S. A. Temil got ten, and the innings was declared at 174 for 8, a very much higher score than appeared probable at one time.

### THE CLUB BAT

THE CLUB STARTED with the opening pair of the C.S.C.C., and followed them up with Perry first wicket. Richardson did not get going, but Porteus and Perry made a good stand until both were stumped. Porteus played forward to Minu and just scraped over the crease, while Perry danced down the pitch to A. M. Rumjahn and was out by about four yards. The only remaining feature of the Club innings was a sparkling innings by T. A. Pearce who hit two successive sixes, one on to the roof of the Commodore's offices, and one near the petrol filling station. I do not think that the Club would have got the runs unless Godby had got going, but there was no time for a decision.

### K.C.C.'s Win

BY THE TIME I arrived at the K.C.C., the home team were



His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grasett, G.O.C., watching the firing at the Sunday meeting of the Hong Kong Rifle Association, the proceeds of which went to the British War Organisation Fund.—Mae Cheung.

### Rugby Football

## Strong Club "A" Fifteen Beat Kai Tak 11-0

(By "Fly-half")

ON THE CLUB GROUND yesterday evening, a strong Club "A" team defeated Kai Tak by 11 points (one goal and two tries) to nil, in a rather scrappy game. Credit must be given to the Kai Tak XV for their gameness against the strongest Club "A" team fielded this year. Their forwards, with Gash, Hynes and Taylor to the fore, upset the Club back division, especially the halves, by their quick breaking and forceful play.

Wakefield, at scrum half for Kai Tak, was a weak link; he generally gathered the ball, stood up and looked around before passing, with the result that Bedell was given very little room in which to move by Club forwards, who had plenty of time in which to close in on him. This seemed to disorganise the whole of the Kai Tak back division, and prevented them from getting into a clear field. Fowler tried hard at times to wander, and was never given anything like a chance to score. Stewart was seldom in the picture, although the little he had to do was well done.

Kai Tak's right wing sustained a damaged knee early in the game and was virtually a passenger from then on. He was off the field for a good portion of both halves; and during his absence it was bad policy not to have sent a forward out of the pack to fill his position, as it left Bonquet in a clear field. Fowler tried hard at full back, although he wants to re-member that a kick ahead by his opponents should be fielded by him before the ball bounces, if at all possible.

### LINEOUT FAILINGS

CLUB FORWARDS were not marking and binding in the lineouts at all, they should have, and as a result, the alarm broke through frequently, to carry the ball well up the field by the field by foot rushes. Godfrey

### Army Rugby Fifteen

The following have been selected to represent Army in the first inter-club tournament rugby game against Club at Soekunpo, on Saturday at 4 p.m.

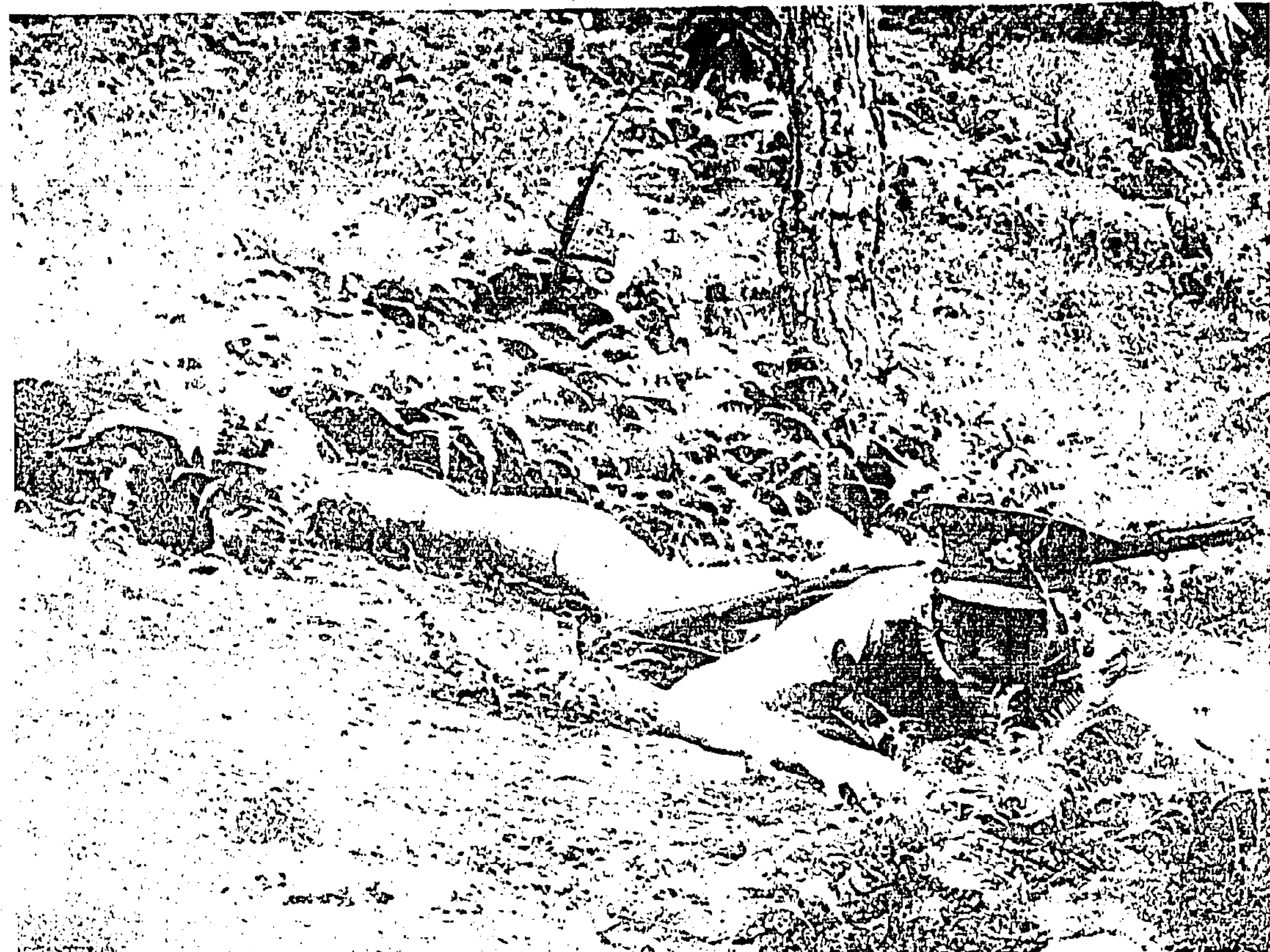
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THE ART of taking cover has become as much part of the training of Volunteers as other duties. Reconnoitring and bombing planes have necessitated considerable attention to the question of camouflage in recent years.



AIN F. BUNJE explains the scheme of manoeuvres to the N.C.O.'s of the Field Ambulance at Lowu Camp.



PTE. R. LEIGH, of No. 1 Machine Gun Company, points out the result of M.G. fire.



ONE OF the members of the Field Ambulance in camp at Lowu last week.

## PHOTONEWS



CSM R.A. ("RON") EDWARDS gives the order for a burst of M.G. fire. Pte. J. P. Whitham takes cover.

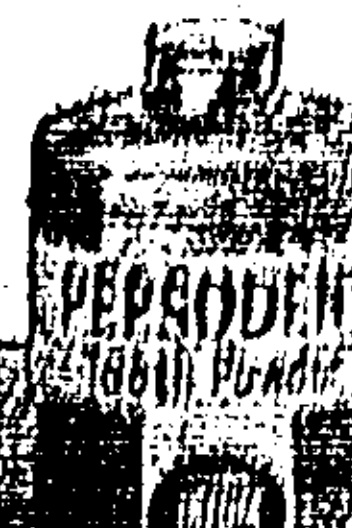


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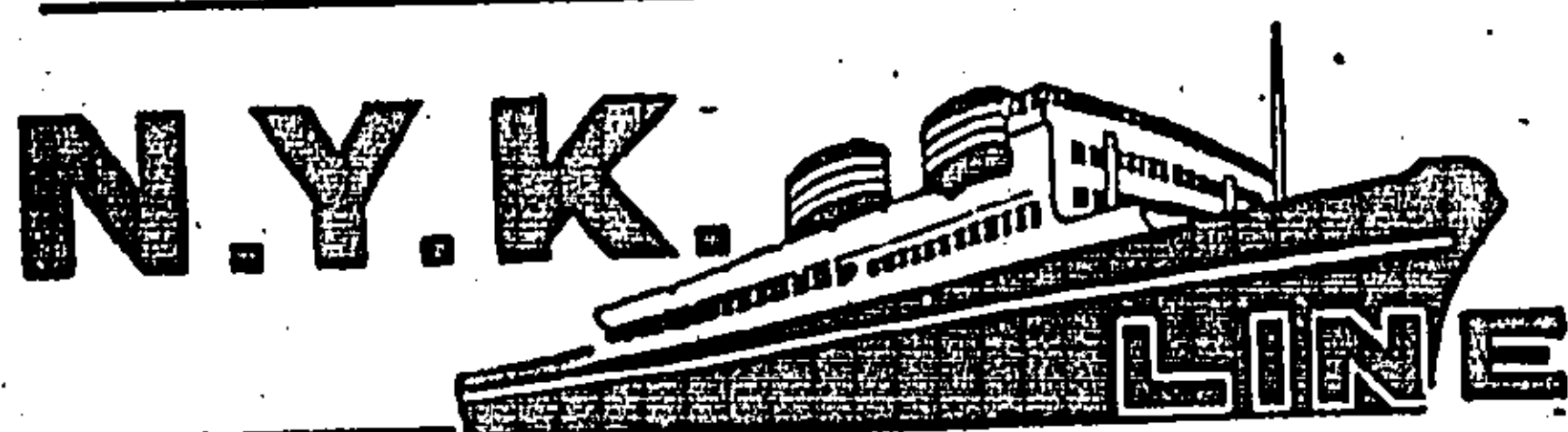
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## Short Cuts

Here is an easy way to make  
gravy thickening smooth: Put the  
mixture of milk or water and flour  
into a small jar having a tight lid  
and shake well until all lumps dis-  
appear.

To remove excess fat from  
soups or gravies, use paper  
towelling as a blotter.

The skins of baked potatoes are  
prevented from becoming hard and  
crusty if coated with oil or butter  
before potatoes are placed in the  
oven.

To remove meat juice stains  
from table linen, either cold  
water alone may be used or soap  
with cold water.

When frying doughnuts add a few  
cloves to the kettle of fat and the  
doughnuts will have a new and  
delicious flavour.

Add a teaspoon of soda to the  
water for cleaning wood-work  
and soap will not be needed.



Here is a double-breasted  
suede reefer with pockets  
curved to suggest a jacket effect  
at front and dipping toward the  
back where seaming further  
emphasises the lowered waistline  
effect.



Every woman adores an attractive, practical hat that she  
can wear in the country and yet feel well dressed when she wears  
it in town. Such is this medium high crowned felt with its  
matching maroon quill and medium brim gracefully dipped in  
to fit the head firmly.

## Renovating—With Sour Milk

SOUR milk has its uses in cookery,  
but how many housewives make  
use of it as a renovating agent?

For example, much of the drudgery  
of cleaning silver can be cut out with  
the aid of sour milk. Silver spoons  
and the like boiled in it, and then  
rinsed in hot water, not only polish  
more easily but the resultant polish  
is more lasting, since it will not  
tarnish readily.

Sour milk, one part, and turpentine,  
two parts, is also one of the best  
renovating agents for a stained bath.  
Mix the ingredients in a saucer and  
apply with a piece of old linen,  
rubbing until all marks vanish, then  
finish off.

When footwear leaks for no ap-  
parent reason it is because the pores  
of the material are too open and  
need closing up. To do this smear  
over a little sour milk, then rub it  
which are always cleaned with sour  
over the leather with a clean, dry, soft cloth. The pores  
of cowhide wool. The pores will which collect and hold dust and look  
eventually close and so render the unsightly.  
boots or shoes watertight.

Sour milk is also one of the best  
renovating agents for patent leather  
shoes, leather belts, pram hoods,  
leather leggings, motor coats, and  
caps of leather and leather up-  
holstery in furniture or motor car  
interiors.

Apply to the material with a soft  
cloth, rubbing the sour milk well  
into the leather, then finish off with  
a very soft duster. In the case of  
patent leather shoes apply the sour  
milk to the leather and leave to dry  
overnight. Next morning polish in  
the usual way. It will check undue  
cracking and heal up minor cracks  
so that they are not noticed.

Bathroom tiles and tiled hearths  
and passage tiles can be polished and  
cleaned at one operation with the aid  
of sour milk. Apply with a yard  
of soft material, then finish by polishing  
with a clean, dry, soft cloth. Tiles  
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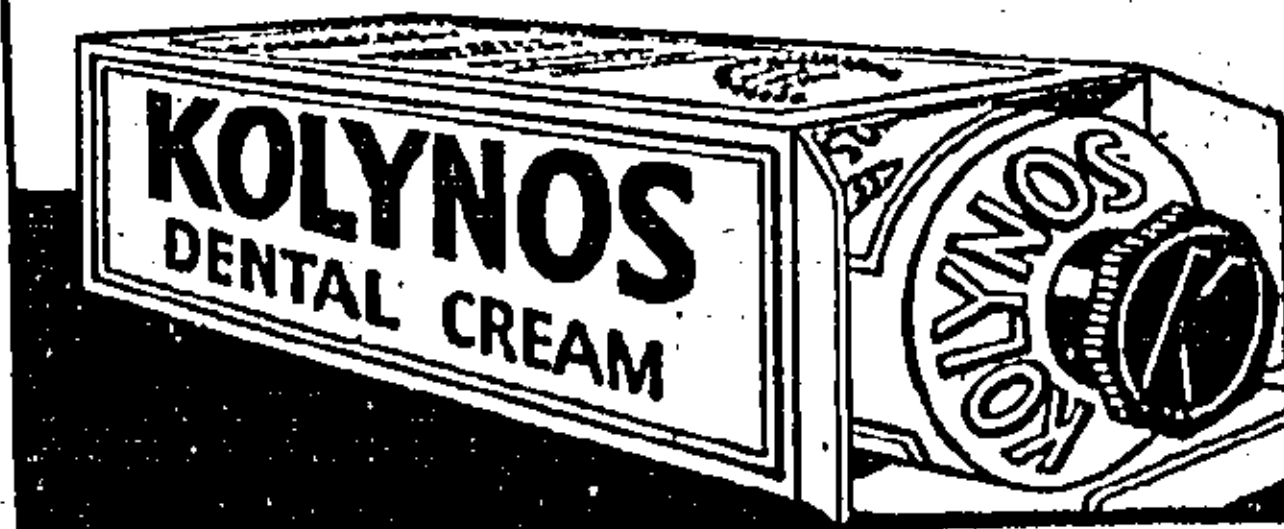
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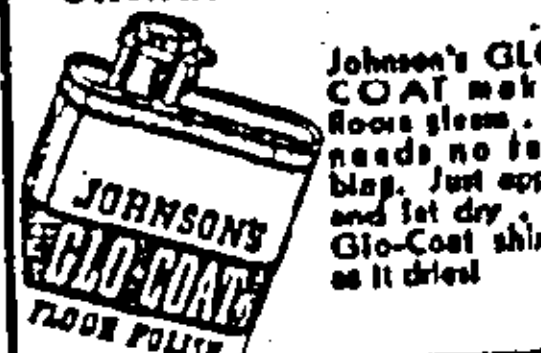
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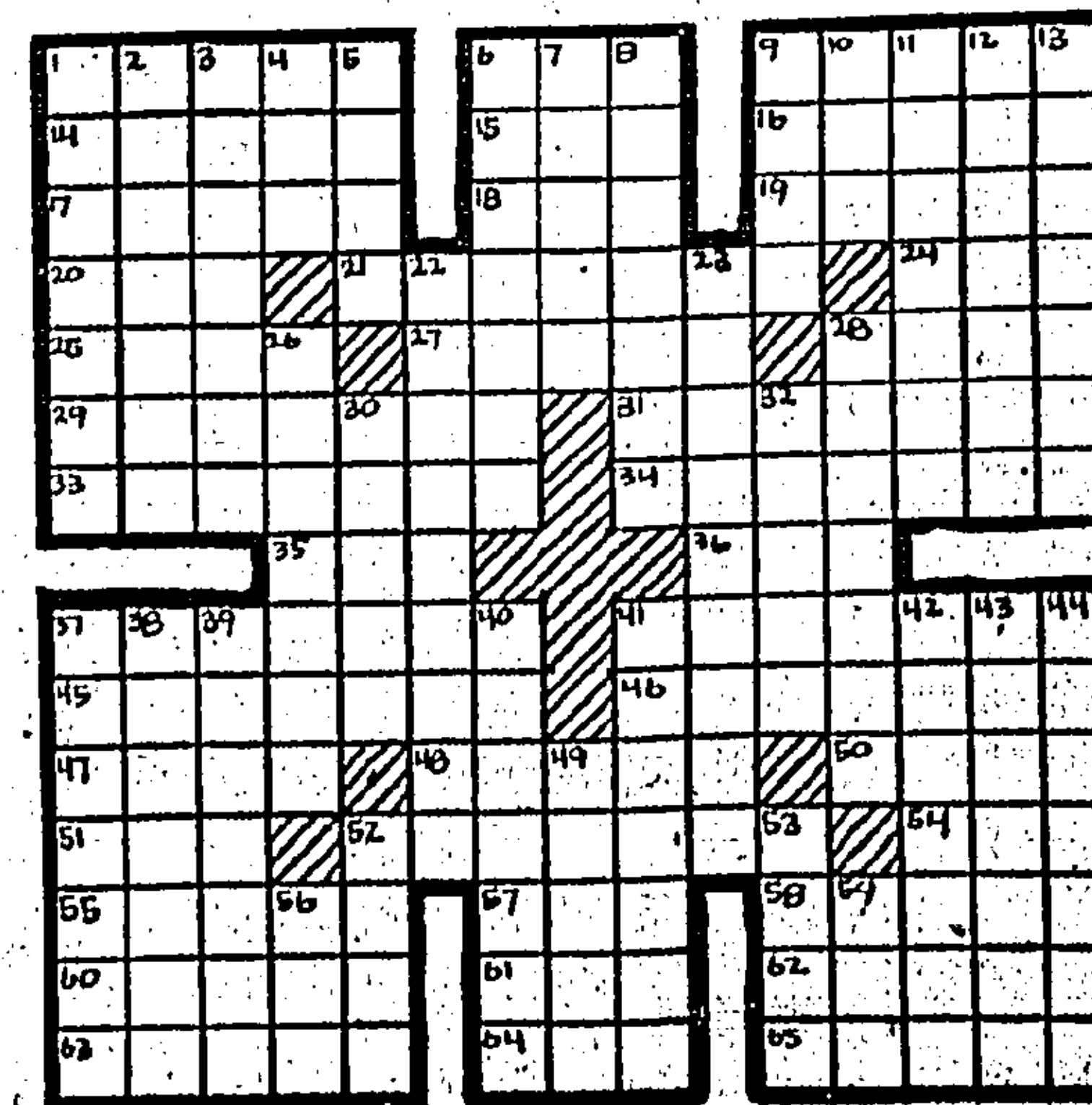
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ACROSS

- 1—Reason for varnishes
- 2—Female deer
- 3—Full with dismay
- 4—Rapidly
- 5—River in France
- 6—Pointed missile
- 7—Mined earth
- 8—Referring to former  
British foreign  
secretary
- 9—Altiplano (abbr.)
- 10—Opponent of  
materialist crusader
- 11—Province in Morocco
- 12—Climbing plant
- 13—Years
- 14—Pipe like chicken
- 15—Those who adulterate  
extreme faction  
(obsolete)
- 16—Pertaining to Turkey
- 17—Ornamental screen  
behind altar
- 18—Members of dis-  
cussory assemblies
- 19—Type of cup
- 20—Wife of Is.
- 21—Members of army  
tribe
- 22—Young birds of prey
- 23—High in station
- 24—Having power to  
inspire
- 25—Short garter worn  
over shoe
- 26—Social class
- 27—Wine person
- 28—Enthusiastic drinking-cup

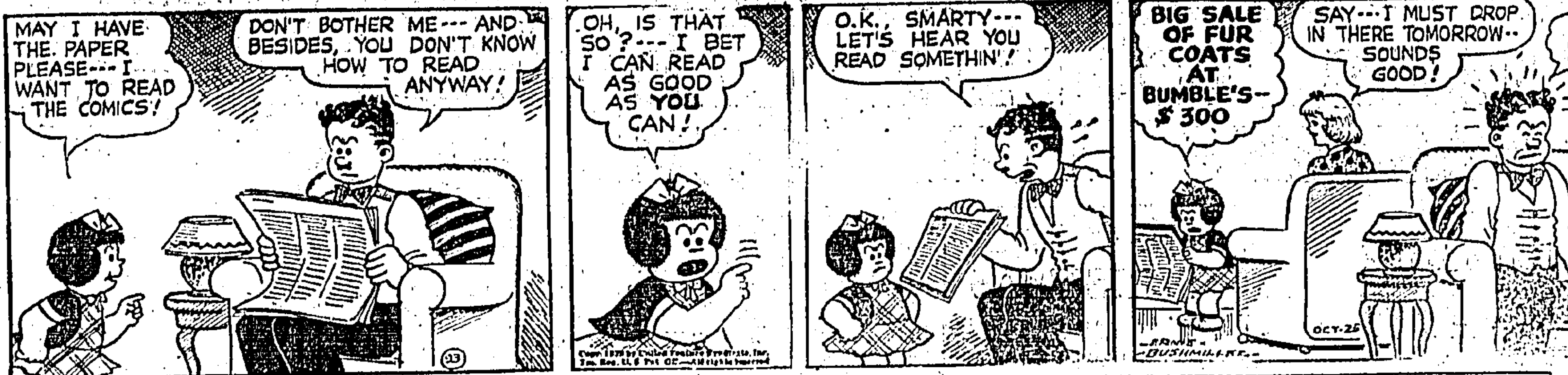
DOWN

- 1—Corpses
- 2—Of partly eagle
- 3—Casualty business
- 4—Unit of play
- 5—Not as much
- 6—Go out of way
- 7—Town in New York
- 8—Person skilled in  
vols
- 9—Exaggeration of hearty  
laugh
- 10—Small cushion
- 11—Take as premise
- 12—Ring-shaped
- 13—Diminutive
- 14—Overlapping bride
- 15—Assign value to
- 16—Essential constituents
- 17—Tentacle
- 18—Draw out
- 19—Possessing great  
physical endurance
- 20—Based on experience
- 21—River joining Lake  
 Erie and Lake  
 Ontario
- 22—Those who repair  
with wooden staves
- 23—Slightly raised  
platform
- 24—Hard contraption
- 25—Medicinal plant
- 26—Biblical word
- 27—Kind of fish (pl.)
- 28—This woman
- 29—Diminutive suits
- 30—Man's nickname
- 31—Of that size





# NANCY



## GAS MASKS FOR BABIES



A mother leaving a distributing centre with one of the gas-bag respirators for babies, that are now being issued.

## Record cold In East

Tokyo, Nov. 27. A cold wave is sweeping Japan and China. While sharp drops have been recorded in temperature throughout Japan, a blizzard is reported from Echigo Province on the western seaboard proper where train services are reported to have been suspended.

A report from Shanghai says that the thermometer registered twenty-one degrees, a record low in the past half century.

Hohow, which stands on the northern coast of Hainan Island in the sub-tropical zone also reports unusual experiences in a cold wave. —Domei.

### Sixty Five Found Dead

Shanghai, Nov. 27. As a result of the sudden cold wave the Police yesterday picked up 30 dead in the streets and 35 to-day. They said that they had discovered many dead practically naked, indicating that beggars were taking the clothes of those dead to keep themselves alive. Most of the dead were beggars.

There were some children. Many homeless persons have been sent to hospital with frostbite. —United Press.

### Local Recordings

The sudden drop in average temperature of nearly 20 deg. since last week, has started everyone in the Colony wearing winter clothes.

A week ago the minimum temperature recorded by the Royal Observatory was 71 deg. but yesterday at six o'clock the temperature had dropped to 54 deg.

The maximum last week was 80 deg.

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## Gunners Fight in Clouds at Range of Only Few Yards

# R.A.F. PILOTS DRIVE NAZI RAIDERS FROM THE COAST

DRAMATIC stories of machine-gun duels in which British and German planes, flying at only 200 feet, passed within a few yards of each other, were told in a recent Air Ministry statement.

The fights took place off the east coasts of England and Scotland and off the German coasts.

All the British planes—attached to the coastal command—returned safely. But several of the Germans were hit.

"The fights were mostly brief," said the statement, "because in every case the enemy withdrew."

### "TWO GOOD BURSTS GOT HOME"

PILOT No. 1 told how he sighted a Heinkel 115 flying at right angles to the R.A.F. machine's course.

The German headed south, but was overtaken at a height of 200 feet.

The Nazi rear gunner opened fire with tracer bullets. He passed under the British plane. The British gunner replied—and reported that "Two good bursts" appeared to get home.

Then the Nazi pulled up into the clouds, but he was traced and received another burst of fire at close range.

In the R.A.F. pilot's words: "The enemy climbed still higher in the clouds, and as he did so we cut in front and under him and let go one more burst at very short range. 'He dived as we passed in front of him, and only a few feet separated us.'"

The German plane was not seen again and the British machine resumed its patrol.

THIS is Pilot No. 2's story of his fight—also with a Heinkel and also at 200 ft. because of the heavy clouds.

"The enemy was diving steeply when attacked from the port rear quarter."

"He climbed for the clouds. I throttled back and attacked from astern. I got in two or three bursts at him with my port gun and he vanished in the clouds. I throttled back again and found him 50 ft. above me and about 25 yards ahead. I got some rear bursts at him this time and as he turned away I again brought my port gun on him."

"Then, following behind and slightly underneath, I saw him go into another bank of cloud."

"He appeared to wobble and sidle badly before he was finally lost."

### Rain Saved The Raider

R.A.F. Pilot No. 3 was disappointed.

He followed a Nazi plane for ten minutes—and just when he thought he had him a fierce rainstorm blotted out the raider—and he escaped.

THERE were exchanges of machine-gun fire in another meeting.

This time, Pilot No. 4, using the clouds as cover, surprised the enemy as he circled over a cargo ship.

"He turned as if to meet the attack," said the pilot, "but climbed into the clouds and made off."

### German Fires—And Misses

A NAZI flying-boat was seen at 200 feet by Pilot No. 5, then patrolling at about 800 feet.

The British machine dived with guns blazing. The Nazi replied without doing any damage.

For five minutes they fought—then the German took advantage of dense cloud to escape.

EARLIER German planes tried to fly over the Shetlands but were beaten off by brisk anti-aircraft fire.

Two more attempts to break Scotland's defences further south were reported, but in each case the raiders turned tail as soon as they sighted the British fighters.

And The Navy Win, Too

SEVERAL Nazi bombers attacked British warships in the southern half of the North Sea.

An Admiralty communique revealed that two Polish destroyers were with the British ships and joined in the battle.

"No damage was done to any ship," says the communique. "Enemy casualties are not known."

PENNY, a three-day-old Shetland pony, introduced to a llama when it had its first day's outing in the Children's Corner of the London Zoo. Penny is only 20 inches high.



## War Words (2) Blighty

Like many another soldier's word "blighty" had its origin in India.

It is a contracted form of the Hindustani "bilyati," which means "sickly" and, especially, "European." The Anglo-Indian name for soda-water is "bilyati" and there is a similar Arabic word, "wilyati," "foreign."

Thus, "Blighty" came to mean Britain and home.

The word was current among the British troops in France in 1915, and was commonly applied to any non-fatal wound sufficiently serious to take a man back to England. Then there was the "blighty bag," the small bag issued at casualty clearing stations to hold a wounded man's personal belongings.

"Carry Me Back to Dear Old Blighty" was a popular war-time song.

## Shelled Ship's Skipper Scared By Black-Out

WORSE than being machine-gunned from the air on the bridge of his ship; worse than being a prisoner-of-war aboard the Nazi battleship Admiral Scheer; is ...

LONDON'S BLACK OUT ... to Captain F. C. P. Harris, master of the 5,051-ton British steamer Clement, who arrived in London recently, his mind alive with memories of the sinking of his ship by shellfire.

He was doubtless calmer on his bullet-riddled bridge than he was as he stepped into London's inky blackness at Waterloo.

"Hey, watch those cars," he roared to his chief engineer, Mr. W. Bryant, who was going off to look for an hotel.

Describing the sinking of his ship, Captain Harris said that on September 30, when making for Bahia, he saw far off a battleship which he thought was British. A seaplane took off from her.

"The plane circled over us, and then without any warning, spattered the bridge with machine-gun bullets."

"Three times the plane circled round, sending bullets into the bridge at each turn. I don't know how I escaped being killed. The only one hit was my chief officer, who was slightly wounded in the hand."

"Believing that we should be shelled, I ordered my crew of 50 to the boats, and was in one myself when a picket boat from the battleship came alongside."

### "She's A Beauty"

"They ordered Mr. Bryant and myself to get into the picket boat and allowed our boats to go. Then they took bombs from the picket boat aboard the Clement."

"We were taken aboard the battleship and I recognised her at once as the Admiral Scheer. She's a beauty."

"For some reason the bombs aboard the Clement failed to explode, so the Admiral Scheer sank the ship by shell fire from about a mile off."

"We had only been five hours on board the Admiral Scheer when she overtook the Greek vessel Papamammos and we were transferred to her."

### Escape Apparatus On U-Boat's Deck

A boy of about 17 was one of five German sailors whose bodies, with submarine-escape apparatus on the heads, were washed ashore on the coast of Kent.

It is not known whether they came from a U-boat sunk by an Allied warship or from a submarine which met with a sea-bed accident.

Another body was washed up at Dymchurch, a third at Dungeness and two others near Rye. Each man wore an identity disc.

## Relic of the Last War Is an Old French Fort

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE. Even in these days of ferocious artillery fire there is still defensive value in a fort.

But the fort of modern warfare is very different from the towering mass of masonry, with cliff-like walls of stone, that the word still connotes for most of us.

I visited one yesterday, and found myself driving towards an irregular, grassy mound that seemed to squat down as close as possible to the level fields around it, says a correspondent.

My car wound its way through muddy lanes, rising almost imperceptibly, and suddenly we turned a corner and found ourselves in the fort itself.

Not till then did one realise that inside this big heap of grass-grown earth were barracks capable of housing several thousand men, strong points, observation posts and gun posts, storerooms, electric-light plant, wells, all the apparatus of a stronghold liable to stand a siege.

The chief protection of the place is those innocent-looking slopes of grass covering a depth of earth which could absorb endless artillery fire, just as a man could protect himself against the hardest punches of Joe Louis by covering himself with pillows. Tanks could climb these slopes, no doubt, but no tanks yet made could drive into the fort itself. The most which kept out medieval besiegers has come into its own again to-day as an impassable barrier to tanks, and this fort has a most efficient moat.

The mixed garrison includes a contingent from a North Country regiment in which are many men from North Lancashire. In one of the rooms of the fort, they have found a voice from home.

### Postcard Racket

Hitler's most famous postcard in Storm Trooper's uniform and receiving a bouquet of flowers from a smiling child, is again on sale in Germany. It is said to buy from girls on duty at practically every street corner.

In point of fact, the picture was carefully posed in a Berlin commercial-art studio. Purchasers are supposed to buy the picture and post it to the publisher.

Hitler never receives them. Post Office never orders to burn them in batches to save the expense of delivery. The Reich has netted £200,000 a day on sales and stamps.



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# NAZIS TO SELL OLD MASTERS FOR CASH

## Missing R. A. F. Man's Note To Bride

"I am O.K. Don't worry about me."  
THIS message has been sent on a postcard from a German prison camp by a British airman to his London bride, whom he married eight weeks ago.  
Three weeks ago the bride was notified that her husband, Observer-sergeant Tapp, had been officially posted as missing. The airplane in which he had been making a reconnaissance flight had been brought down in Germany.  
After the official news came a German radio report that a number of Sergeant Frapp's comrades had been taken prisoner.  
Mrs. Gamble, of Streatham-hill, S.W., a sister-in-law of Mrs. Frapp, said:  
"When Sergeant Frapp went to France his wife went to Dorset to stay with his parents.  
"She was heartbroken when she received the message that he was missing. Now he has sent the address of the camp where he is interned, and we are all writing to him."  
In the German report of the flight in which his airplane was brought down, a German airman paid tribute to the courage and skill of the British pilot.

## FIRST WAR CHRISTMAS

HOW can merry Christmas be ensured for the thousands of children who have been evacuated?

Officials in Government departments and voluntary service organisations, billeting officers and the people in whose houses the children are living are thinking it over.  
The most popular suggestion is that of the communal entertainment.  
"This might take the form of an entertainment in the schoolroom or the village hall," was what one who knows the feeling of many areas, said "Here a Father Christmas and a Christmas tree will come into the scene.  
"Then it is not unlikely that some of the boys and girls from the towns which are invited to the parties which people will be giving for their own children.  
"All this depends, of course, on the good feeling existing in the areas—and of this spirit there is plenty, as reports show.  
Arrangements for parents to visit the children are dependent on transport possibilities. The railway companies are working out their plans for this.

## Women Wanted As Cooks

Training For Work In Canteens

It is expected that there will soon be a considerable demand for cooks in institutions and canteens, and in order to enable unemployed women who already have some knowledge of cooking to qualify for such posts the Central Committee on Women's Training and Employment has opened its two London centres, the Maida Vale Centre, 97A, Elgin Avenue, W.9, and the Grosvenor Cookery Centre, 120, Grosvenor Road, S.W.1.

Women between the age of 18 and 40 who have lost their employment owing to the war are eligible; they must be British subjects. Those who have previously undergone a course of training from Government funds and married women whose husbands are in work are ineligible. The courses will last six weeks. Women will be specially trained in catering and the production of cheap and nourishing meals under war-time conditions for large numbers. Application forms can be obtained from any employment exchange in the London area.

## SUPPER DANCE

Under the auspices of the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club, a charity supper dance and cabaret, in aid of Chinese refugee relief and British local emergency funds, will be held at the Peninsula Hotel on December 14 from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.  
For non-dancers there will be mah-jongg and bridge. Tables can be reserved at the Hongkong and Peninsula Hotels.

## LATE NEWS

Germany is preparing to sell old masters cheap, in an effort to obtain foreign currency. The sale is to be effected with the proviso that the paintings may be bought back at a 20 per cent. increase "after the German victory."

This scheme, says a despatch from the German frontier, was worked out at a meeting of curators of great German museums held recently in Berlin. The old masters will be offered "at very reasonable prices" to neutral countries.

Such an operation would not be difficult to conceal from the German people, since the canvases have already been placed in bomb-proof shelters.  
Among the works to be sold, it is stated are the Raphael "Madonna from Dresden" and Mantegna's "Virgin and Child" which hung in the Kaiser Friedrich Museum in Berlin.

Other messages from the frontier state that a great mass of documents has lately been removed from the Reich Chancellery in Berlin, and were driven off to an unknown destination.

## Coal Ration

The Lord Mayor of Berlin announces that during this month householders and small businesses will be permitted one-seventh of the amount of coal and other fuel that they purchased from their coal merchants in the same period last year.

## What They Read

Some idea of the kind of news set before the German reader to the exclusion of all other is provided by an analysis of a single copy of the Berlin "Zam Mittag." Headlines in the paper included the following:  
"Paris defends itself against idiotic London manoeuvres."  
"Ridiculous story about the battle-ship 'Gneisenau'.  
"Is England threatened by inflation?"  
"Blockade a Boomerang for the British Empire."  
"Complaints of the French Population never cease."  
"Democracies completely disorganised."  
"Honourable Frenchmen Plunged into Gaol."  
"U.S.A. Capitalists Wish to make a fine deal out of the War."

## Poets For Poland

A touch of grim humour has been added by Dr. Goebbels to the German devastations in Western Poland. A deputation of lyric poets and writers, members of the "Reich Chamber of Literature," has been sent on a tour of the conquered provinces by the Propaganda Minister. They were, it is stated, "remarkably warmly welcomed" on arriving in Poznan.

## Harbour Congestion

The sweeping of the German merchant fleet from the seas, except the Baltic, has resulted in a violent depression in the ports of Hamburg and Bremen.

At Bremen huge stacks of goods are lying in sheds because the Nazis are unable to forward them to the foreign importers who ordered them. A similar situation prevails in Hamburg, where long-distance shipping under the German flag is at a complete standstill.

## Jute Shortage

Germany have been forbidden to use jute bags to protect their houses against air raids, according to messages from the frontier.  
Only paper bags are authorised for sand-bagging purposes, supplies for jute being insufficient.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"The window's beginning to look more like home every day, honey!"

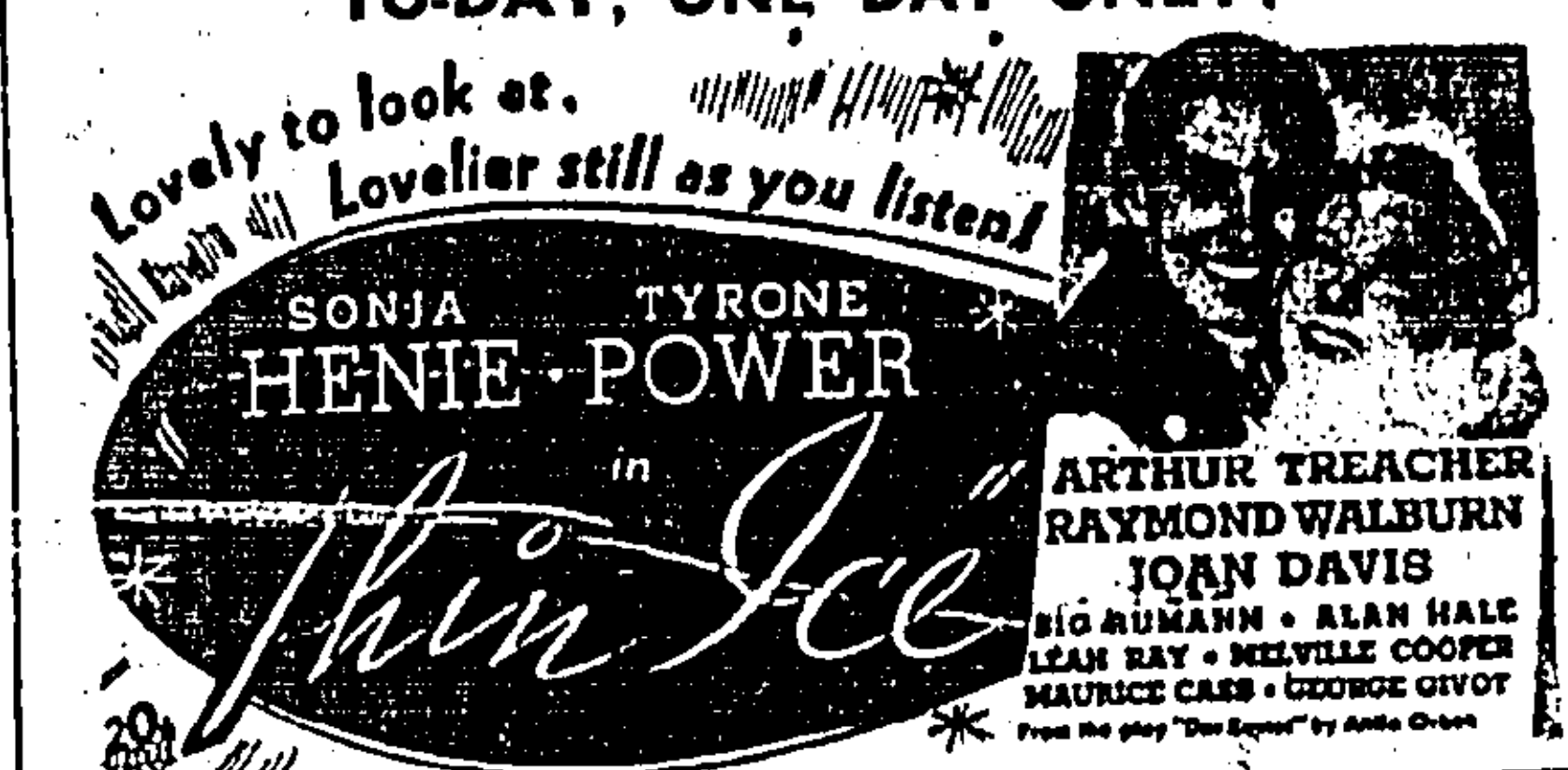
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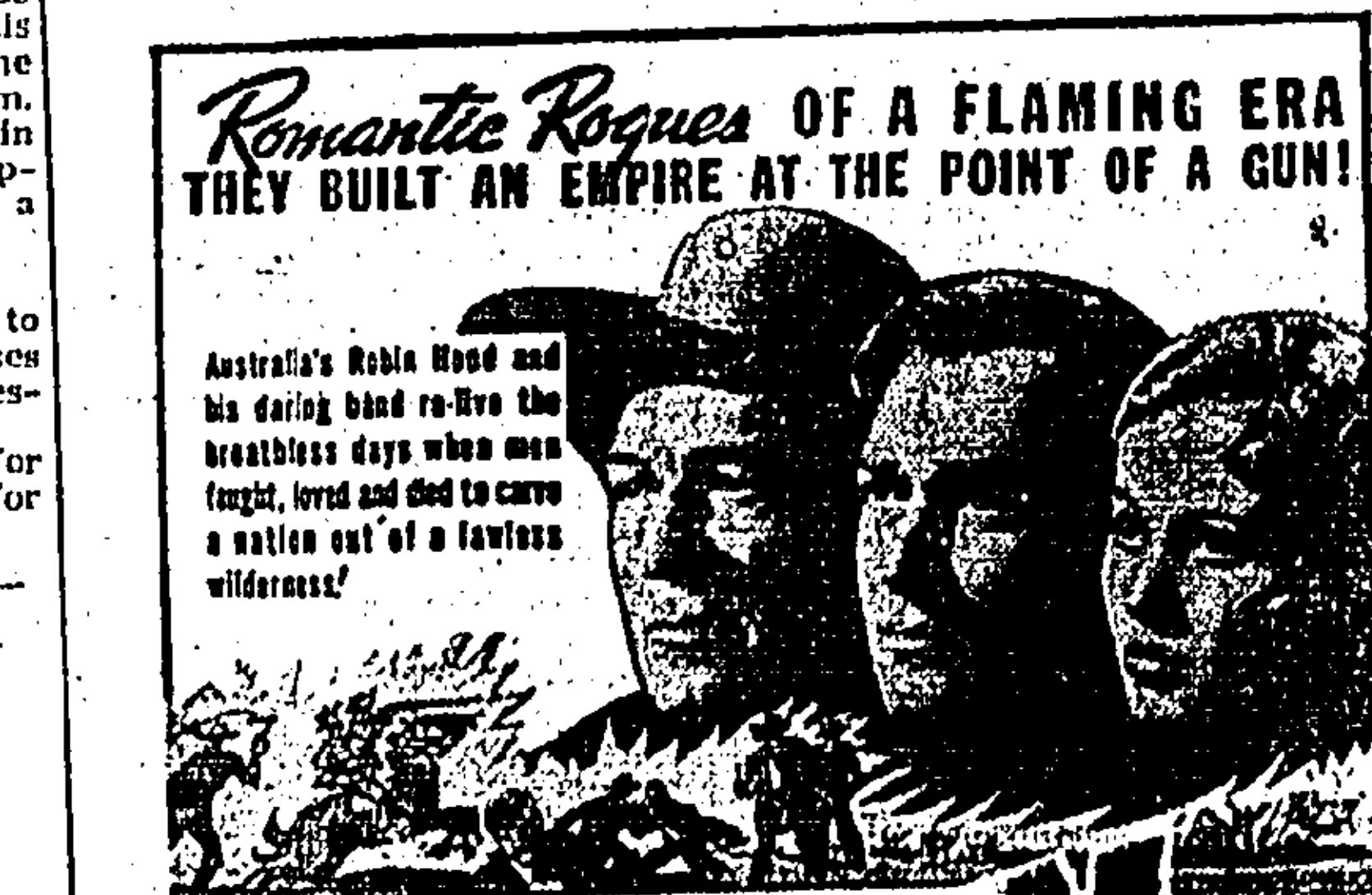


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# P. & O. LINER RAWALPINDI SUNK IN GALLANT NAVAL ACTION

## MOST THRILLING EPIC OF WAR IS REVEALED IN ADMIRALTY REPORT

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—An Admiralty statement reveals that the German "pocket" battleship Deutschland attacked the Rawalpindi, which was forming part of the northern patrol enforcing the contraband control of German trade.

At 3.30 p.m. the Rawalpindi, when cruising to the south-east of Iceland, sighted an enemy ship.

**"IT'S THE DEUTSCHLAND!"**

Captain Kennedy, having examined the vessel through his glasses, said: "It's the Deutschland all right."

The crew were immediately ordered to the action stations.

The course was altered to bring the enemy on the starboard quarter.

Smoke-floats were cast into the water to enable the Rawalpindi to escape.

However, a second enemy ship was soon seen to starboard.

### Second Enemy Ship

The Deutschland, approaching, signalled the Rawalpindi to stop, and when she continued on her course, fired a shot across her bows.

As this warning was rejected, the first salvo was fired by the Deutschland's 11-inch guns at 3.45 p.m. at a range of 10,000 yards.

The Rawalpindi replied with all her four starboard six-inch guns.

The third salvo from the Deutschland extinguished all lights and broke the electric winches of the ammunition supply.

### Bridge Shot Away

The fourth salvo shot away the whole bridge and wireless room.

Both the German ships were now closing rapidly and by this time the second ship had gone round the Rawalpindi's stern and was firing from the port side.

The Rawalpindi maintained the fight until every gun was put out of action, and the whole ship was ablaze except the fore-castle and the poop.

After about 30 or 40 minutes of this unequal combat, the enemy ceased firing and three boats not shattered by shell-fire—one of these became waterlogged—were lowered.

It is believed that two of these boats, containing over 30 men, were picked up by one of the German ships.

### Chitral Rescues Survivors

Eleven survivors brought in by the P. and O. liner Chitral, swam to the water-logged life-boat and would probably have been picked up by the Deutschland but for the fact that about 6.15 p.m., the approach of a British cruiser caused the enemy immediately to withdraw.

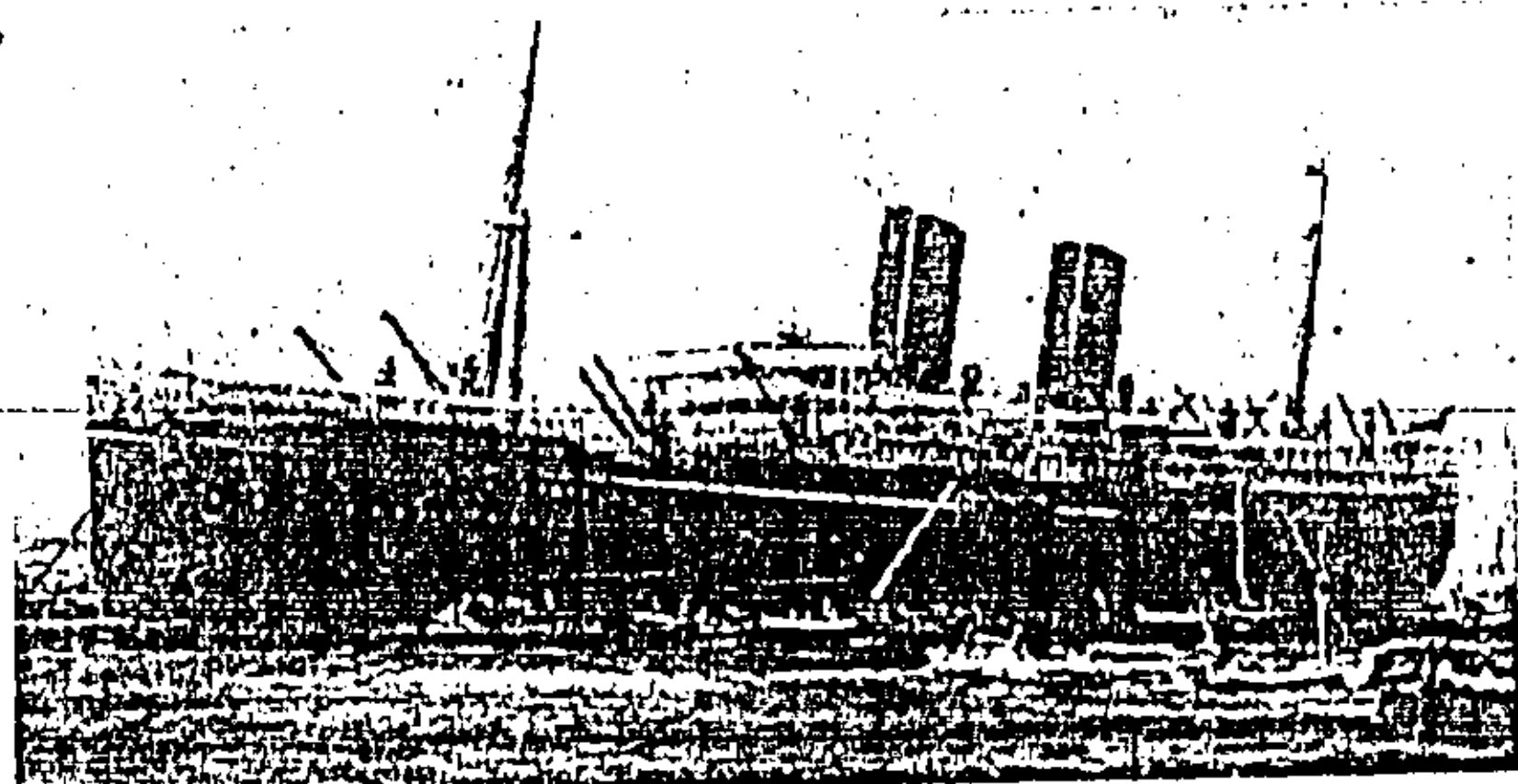
The Rawalpindi continued to burn amidships until 8 p.m. when she turned turtle to starboard and foundered with all remaining hands.

### Nazi Cruisers Escape

Meanwhile the British cruiser attempted to shadow the German ships, but in the heavy rainstorm and darkness of the night, they escaped from the scene.

It is added that the Rawalpindi made a most gallant fight against overwhelming odds, and went down with her colours flying.

It is officially stated that the Rawalpindi was manned by merchant seamen, and men of the Naval Reserve and Naval Volunteer Reserves.



THE P. & O. LINER RAWALPINDI

### American Woman Among Victims

## FOUR LIVES LOST IN DUTCH LINER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—The "Press Association" reports that four members of the crew and an American woman passenger on the Dutch steamer Spaarndam lost their lives when the vessel was damaged through striking a mine off the Thames Estuary to-day.

Three of the victims were drowned and two were killed in the explosion. The American woman was Mrs. Stephen.

**Ship Caught Fire**  
LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—An outbreak of fire aboard the Dutch liner Spaarndam, which struck a mine in the Thames Estuary yesterday afternoon and is believed to have been sunk, revealed shortly after midnight that the vessel was still afloat.

The liner, which was bound for Rotterdam from South America, had been completely abandoned with the loss of the lives of four members of the crew and a woman passenger.

Three of the victims were drowned when they were thrown into the sea, and the other two were killed by the explosion of the mine.

**Now Blazing Furiously**  
The explosion occurred early in the afternoon and when life-boats from the shore reached her, the Spaarndam seemed likely to sink any moment.

Just before midnight, fire broke out aboard and she is now blazing furiously off the Thames Estuary in full view of people lining the shore. She appears to be down heavily by the head but her bulkheads and aft appear to be holding, this accounting for the fact that she has remained afloat so long.

### SEA WARFARE

## NAZI SHIP CAPTURED

### Further Sinkings Of British Ships

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that "another German merchant ship, the Konsul Hendrick Fisher, has been captured by a British warship and brought into harbour."

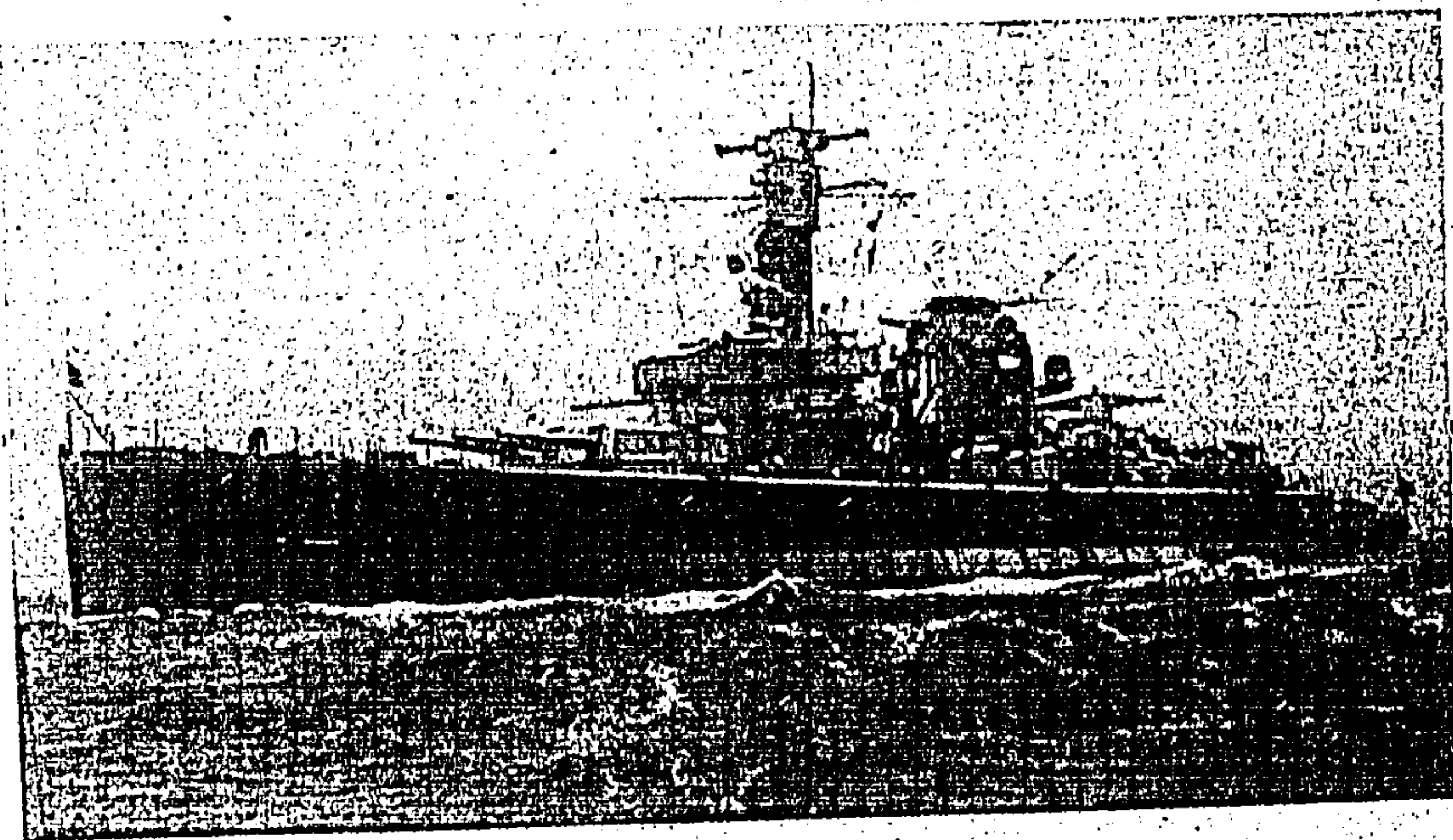
**Royston Grange Lost**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—It has been confirmed that the British steamer Royston Grange (5,144 tons) has been torpedoed. A lifeboat was launched on the north-east coast of Kent to-day after the coastguard station had received a message, saying that a vessel, which so far has not been named, had struck a mine.

**British Tanker Sunk**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—Delayed reports reaching here reveal that

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THE DEUTSCHLAND

## Reds Ready to March As Finland Rejects Demands

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, NOV. 28.—(DOMEI).—THE "UNITED PRESS" REPORTS FROM LENINGRAD THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS COMPLETED PREPARATIONS FOR STARTING ARMED ACTION IMMEDIATELY FINLAND FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE SOVIET DEMAND FOR WITHDRAWING TROOPS FROM THE FRONTIER.

### Nazis Mine Warfare

## NEED NOT ALARM BRITAIN

Combating Methods  
Being Developed

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the alarmist views on the mine-laying campaign are discredited here because:

1.—Magnetic mines are nothing new and were used in the last war. Methods of dealing with them exist and are being developed with rapidity by the Admiralty;  
2.—The western ports of Great Britain and France are entirely unaffected by the laying of mines;

### No Ports Closed

3.—Even eastern ports are affected only to minor degree. For example, no eastern port has been closed to shipping at any time since indiscriminate mine-laying started. During the period when shipping losses were at their height, a shipping convoy of considerable size steamed through the mined area and arrived at its destination without loss or damage;

4.—The Danish Board of Trade has proclaimed the existence of a "fairway" for the use of Scandinavian shipping from Kangerak to the British coast, thus indicating an intention to maintain exports to Great Britain as heretofore;

**May Prove Boomerang**  
5.—The new methods of warfare are used in violation of international law to score a preliminary success, but always history shows that such success is short-lived, and means will be quickly discovered in combating the new device.

Moreover the adoption of illegal methods is often a boomerang, as witness Germany's use of gas in the last war.

Some indication of the boomerang is seen in Britain's plan to place an

Informed quarters understand that the Finnish Government has decided to reject the Soviet demand for withdrawal of her troops.

### CATEGORICAL DENIAL

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Finnish Government has replied to the Soviet note categorically denying the charges that Finnish artillery has fired across Soviet territory.

**Finnish Troops Urged To Remain Patient**

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 27 (Domei).—In view of the deterioration in Soviet-Finnish relations the Finnish Government has ordered its troops in the frontier regions not to respond to any provocations from the Soviet side. They are exhorted to remain calm.

**Rifle Fire Exchanged**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Helsingfors correspondent of the "Politiken" reports that recently Russian troops have frequently trespassed on Finnish territory at Karela and have been driven back by rifle fire.

This report adds that several Soviet planes have recently been shot down in the same territory.

**Completely Quiet**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (UP).—Interviewed by the press, the Finnish Foreign Minister, J. E. Erkkö, said that the Finnish-Soviet frontier is completely quiet.

He added, "We have done nothing."

**Nazis Take Cognisance**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 27 (UP).—Authorized Nazi quarters declare that they have "taken cognisance with great interest" of the Soviet attitude in the present situation, and particularly of the Soviet statement that the Western Powers are behind the Finnish Government.

It is significant that the German

PLEASE Turn To Page 9.

### LATEST

## 250 Gallant Men Perished

LONDON, Nov. 28 (UP).—The Admiralty announcement states that over 250 officers and men aboard the Rawalpindi have apparently perished.

See Back Page For  
Further Late News

## Parliament In Secret

Session Likely During  
Next Few Weeks

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—It is now probable that Government will accede to the desire of the two Opposition Parties for a secret session within the next few weeks. "Reuter's" Lobby correspondent learns.

The Opposition Parties have made clear that their wish is confined to the question of machinery and supplies for the fighting services.

Naturally the non-Government parties will receive allegations and complaints from the industrial side, which they are disinclined to ventilate publicly, lest the allegations prove unfounded.

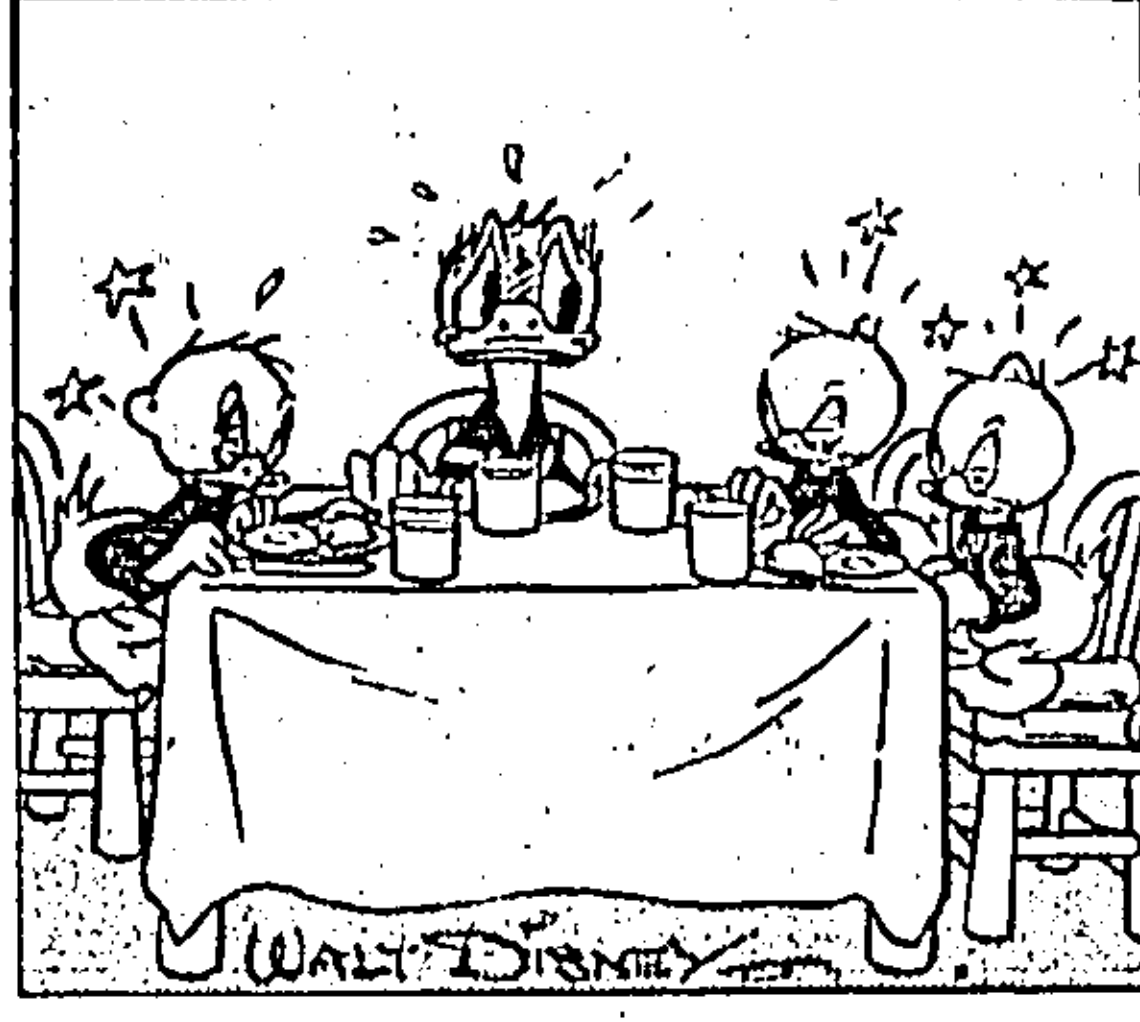
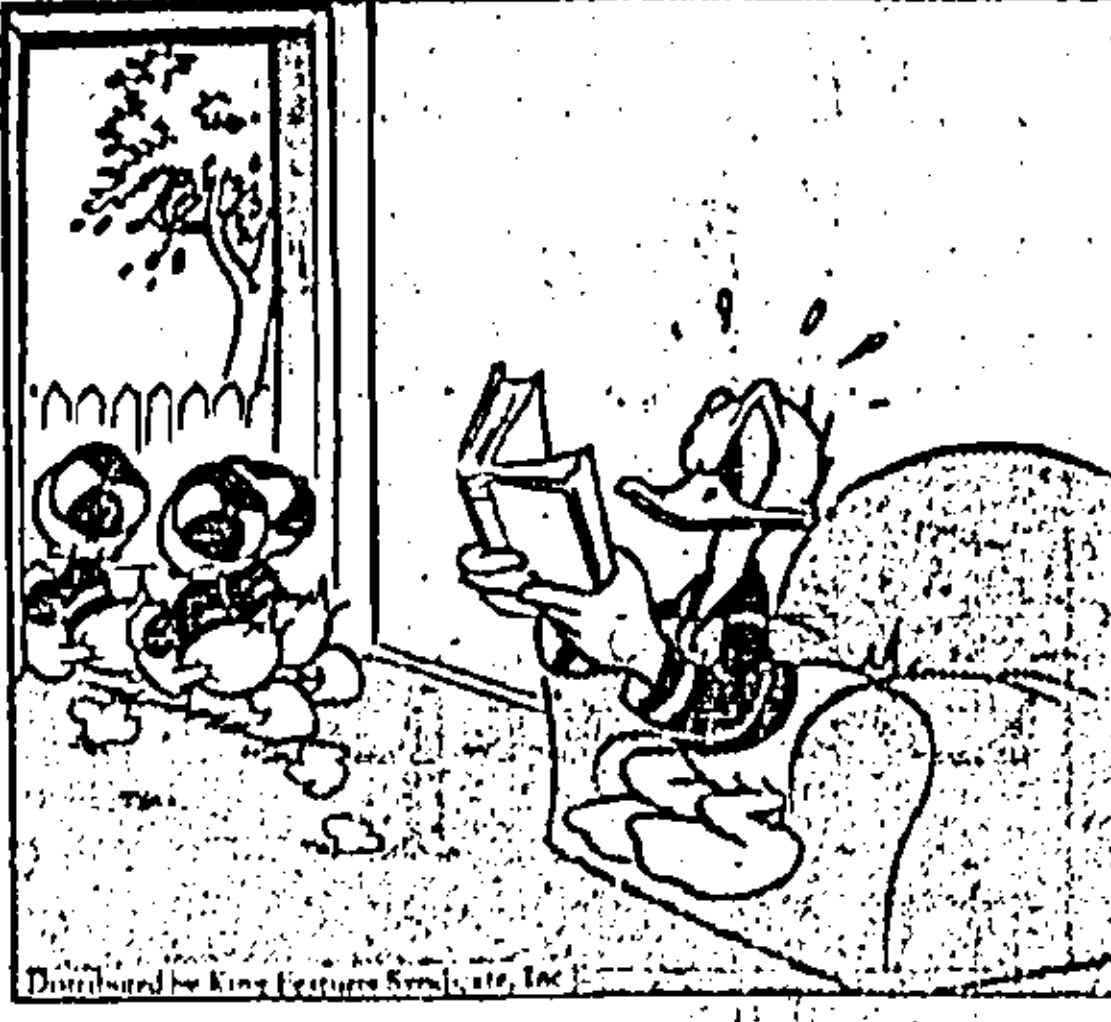
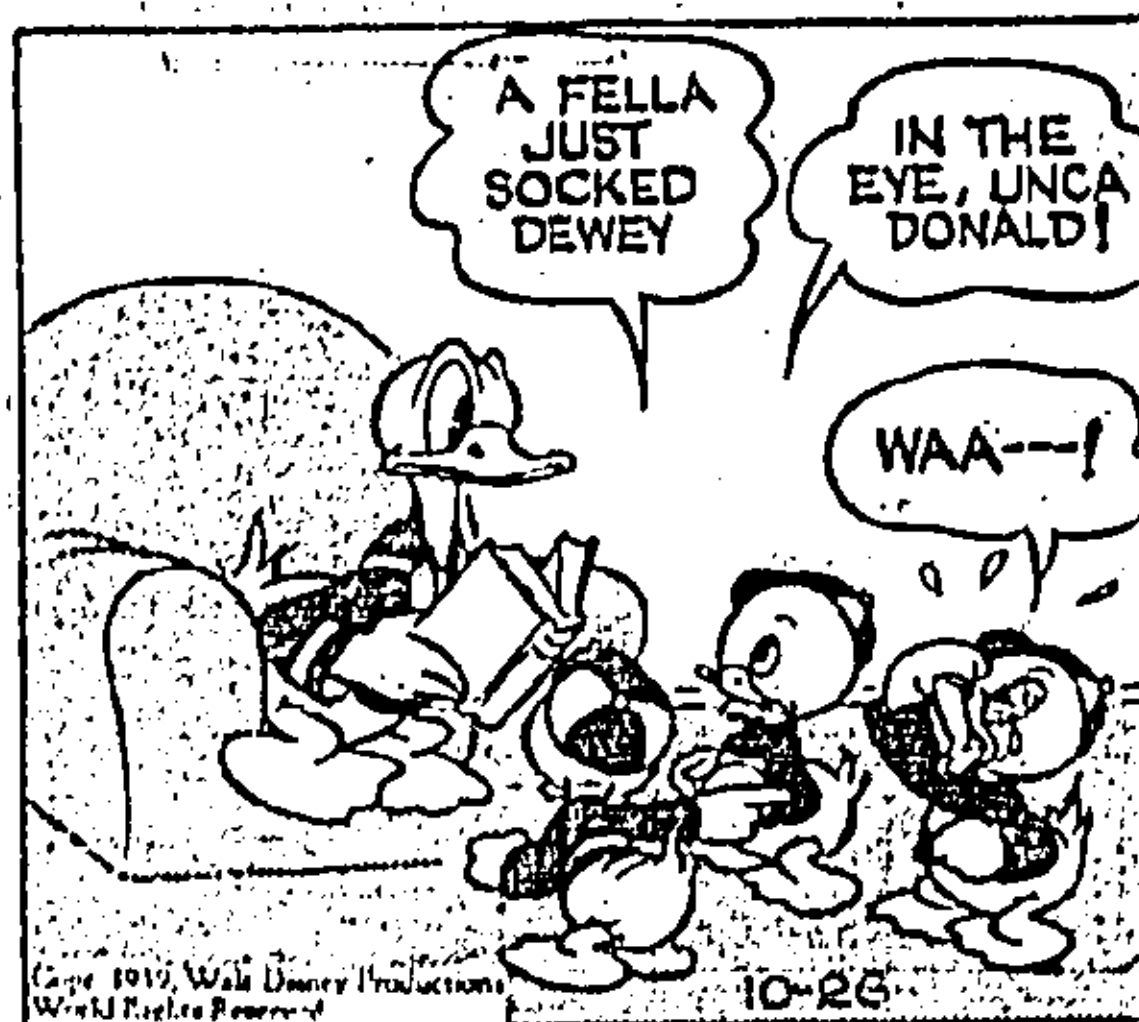
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# FIVE AGAINST 15 IN AERIAL COMBAT

A BATTERED Royal Air Force reconnaissance plane, landing with its retractable undercarriage jammed, cart-wheeled on to one wing and caught fire. Its crew jumped or were dragged clear—and the most glorious air exploit of the war over the Western Front was ended.

The plane was the sole survivor of five that took off from behind the Allied lines.

Soon the five were up against fifteen. The fifteen were Messerschmitt fighters, faster than the German air force.

The story was recently released by the Ministry of Information.

Orders had been given for a patrol to reconnoitre a position behind the German line in the most strongly defended part of the Saar.

Anti-aircraft batteries put up a fierce barrage but the R.A.F. machines went through it successfully.

When well over the frontier at a height of over 20,000 ft. the squadron leader sighted the enemy. Out from behind a bank of clouds came nine Messerschmitt fighters.

They approached from directly ahead, flying 2,000 ft. higher. Away on the right another six dived to attack.

The reconnaissance was the work to be done. Nothing must stop it. The British formation flew on.

Breaking formation, the Germans concentrated mass fire on each British machine in turn. Their method was to wheel, dive and come up under the tail of our aircraft. Intense fighting lasted for 35 minutes. Three of our machines were shot down; another made a forced landing, but out of the twelve men forming the crews eight were seen to escape by parachute.

### Flow On Alone

The squadron leader alone was left. He flew on to finish his job. Dodging, side-slipping and banking to get away from the concentrated enemy fire, he held the course set for the reconnaissance. In the tail of the aircraft the gunner kept up a steady fire. A stream of bullets hit the engine of the leading Messerschmitt.

The enemy machines swerved, and in a second burst into flames and plunged to earth.

The gunner kept up his fire. One burst hit the second fighter. With black smoke pouring from the nose it went down in a spin; 250 rounds of ammunition had accounted for two enemy aircraft.

Shaken by the gunner's steady and accurate fire, the 13 remaining Germans gave up the fight.

The navigator, the third member of the crew, kept his pilot on the homeward course, though his instruments were smashed and he himself was wounded in the forehead.

### 80 Bullet Holes

By this time the plane was in a sorry state. From the starboard tank petrol poured through a bullet hole each time the aircraft banked, but by stopping up the hole

with his handkerchief the pilot was able to save enough gas to get home. The landing had to be faced with the retractable undercarriage jammed halfway and the offside tyre shot away.

As the machine touched down it spun in a circle, cart-wheeled over on one wing and caught fire. The navigator was flung out on his head with his clothes on fire.

The gunner was jammed inside, but without a thought for his own safety the navigator hauled him out and smothered his blazing coat with bare hands.

The squadron leader had been flung clear and was picked up dazed but not seriously hurt. Before he and the air-gunner were taken to hospital the navigator summed up the flight and the feelings of the crew. "Old Hitler's given me a bit of a headache, but that's nothing to what we'll give him."

Official despatches from French headquarters described the air battles as the fiercest since the war began. The French say that the losses by both sides are about equal, adding that several French planes have not reported back.

The squadron leader is an Irishman, the navigator an Englishman, and the wireless operator-air gunner a Scot.

## CAPTAIN THANKS RESCUERS

HERE you see the captain of the steamer Kensington Court thanking the pilots of the R.A.F. flying-boat which rescued him and his crew of 33 in the Atlantic.

The skipper, Captain J. Schofield, of South Shields, said that he sent out an SOS as soon as he spotted the submarine. "After we had got into the net boat the ship was torpedoed," he continued. "When we saw the aircraft we all began to cheer. As we were flown to the coast we were given tea and cigarettes."

The officer commanding the first flying-boat to arrive is 23 years old. His home is at Wimbledon, London. "After searching round for the submarine we alighted," he said, "and having inflated our collapsible boat we were able to take 20 men aboard without difficulty."

The officer commanding the second flying-boat, whose home is at Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, said, "We were in the air about 20 miles from the first aircraft, and made for the scene, unaware that other aircraft were on their way. While we were picking up the remaining 14 men a third flying-boat appeared, but we signalled that all was clear."

## Australia To Spend £50,000,000 On War

# AMAZING EFFORT BY DOMINIONS

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The determination of Australia and Canada to give maximum co-operation to the British war effort was emphasised by the Australian Air Minister and the Canadian Finance Minister, broadcast from Ottawa on Friday.

The Australian expenditure in the first year of the war will be £50,000,000, nearly four times the expenditure in the first year of the last war.

Almost double the number of men are training.

### 20,000 Air Pilots

Twenty-thousand air pilots are being completely trained in Australia, in addition to the thousands of Australian air fighters to be trained in Canada.

Canadian expenditure in the first year of the war is estimated at £23,000,000.

Orders already placed since the beginning of the war include £25,000,000 in supplies and defence projects in Canada, £1,000,000 supplies from Britain and £2,000,000 worth of aeroplanes from the United States.

### £5,000,000 A Day

Some £5,000,000 per day is now being spent on the war.

Though greater than the daily expenditure in the later years of the last war, this sum represents a materially fraction of national income.

Mr. Collin Clary, the Government's statistician of Queensland, a well-known authority on national income, estimates that Great Britain devoted 60 per cent. of the currently produced national income to war purposes in 1918, whereas to-day she may not exceed 40 per cent.

Not Yet Maximum Effort He also estimates that the present production of British industry is about half as much again as in 1918.

Thus it is clear that £5,000,000 a day does not represent the maximum effort of which this country is economically capable, whereas Germany has "already mobilised practically her full economic reserves and cannot make a great effort."

## PILOTS DARING ESCAPE

Flies Low Over Nazi Fortifications

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Concerning the R.A.F. raids on Wilhelmshaven and Heligoland a few days ago, the Air Ministry states that one pilot flew so low that he was able to take the Nazis by surprise and get his cameras going before the Nazis opened fire.

Many valuable photographs were taken. The weather was bad. Ice formed on the wings and there were low flying clouds and electrical disturbances, making the return flight a difficult piece of navigation.

The planes met with intensive anti-aircraft fire over Wilhelmshaven, both from "pom poms" and from "flying onions" which burst in groups of red, blue and orange smoke.

## Belgium Army Leave Stopped

### More Rumours Of Nazi Movements

BRUSSELS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—On Sunday night Belgian authorities again commandeered motor buses and army leave was cancelled.

The Ministry of National Defence says that the authorities were commandeering buses only for a day. There is no confirmation of the Paris report that German troops have been moving about in the Aix-La-Chapelle (Aachen) region close to the Belgian frontier.

## RED CHILD'S GUIDE

(Continued from Page 4.) ones. The Baltic countries were just as bad. Would you believe that they held up our talks with England by refusing to accept Russian guarantees of their independence? Goodness, why ever not? I hardly like to tell you, Ivan; it's all so sordid. They pretended we would take advantage of them by using their ports for the gloriously Red Navy, and that we might even send in troops.

I say! Is that why we're going to the Baltic for a holiday? Yes, dear. I'm glad to say they've taken it all back now. What are you staring at?

Papa Stalin's new yachting cap. It fits him remarkably well. Funny you should say that, Ivan. (Whispering.) It used to belong to the Czari.

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## Frenchman Heads Allied Committee

### Economic Co-operation

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Paris officials have stressed that M. Jean Monnet, former Inter-Allied commission representative who has been appointed President of the Anglo-French Committee to co-ordinate raw materials and munitions purchases abroad, is now an Allied, not a French official.

His appointment is the first of its kind.

### Stinging Reply To Nazis

It is pointed out that the Allied scheme of economic co-operation is already being practically implemented, which is declared to be a stinging reply to the German propaganda alleging that Allied co-operation is only window-dressing. The appointment of a Frenchman is warmly welcomed as further proof of the unreserved confidence existing between the Allies.

It is described as typically British fair-play to appoint a French chairman because the Committee function in London.

## R.A.F. FORM NEW SQUADRON

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The new fighter squadron of the R.A.F. to which the Nizam of Hyderabad contributed £200,000, is now being formed.

Its pilots will be drawn from Britain, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa.

## New Trawler Fleet

### British Answer To Magnetic Mines

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Between November 19 and 25, eleven British ships totalling 25,787 tons, two French ships totalling 3,000 tons and four neutral ships totalling 23,049 tons were sunk by German action. Germany's laying of magnetic mines has brought an appeal from the Admiralty for 200 trawlers.

A far greater number of trawlers, complete with crew, have already volunteered and will be formed as a special part of the R.N.V.R. becoming known as the Trawler Reserve.

### Swedish Protest To Reich

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The Government has protested to Germany against the latter's action in laying mines inside Sweden's four-mile zone.

The right to claim indemnity for losses is reserved.

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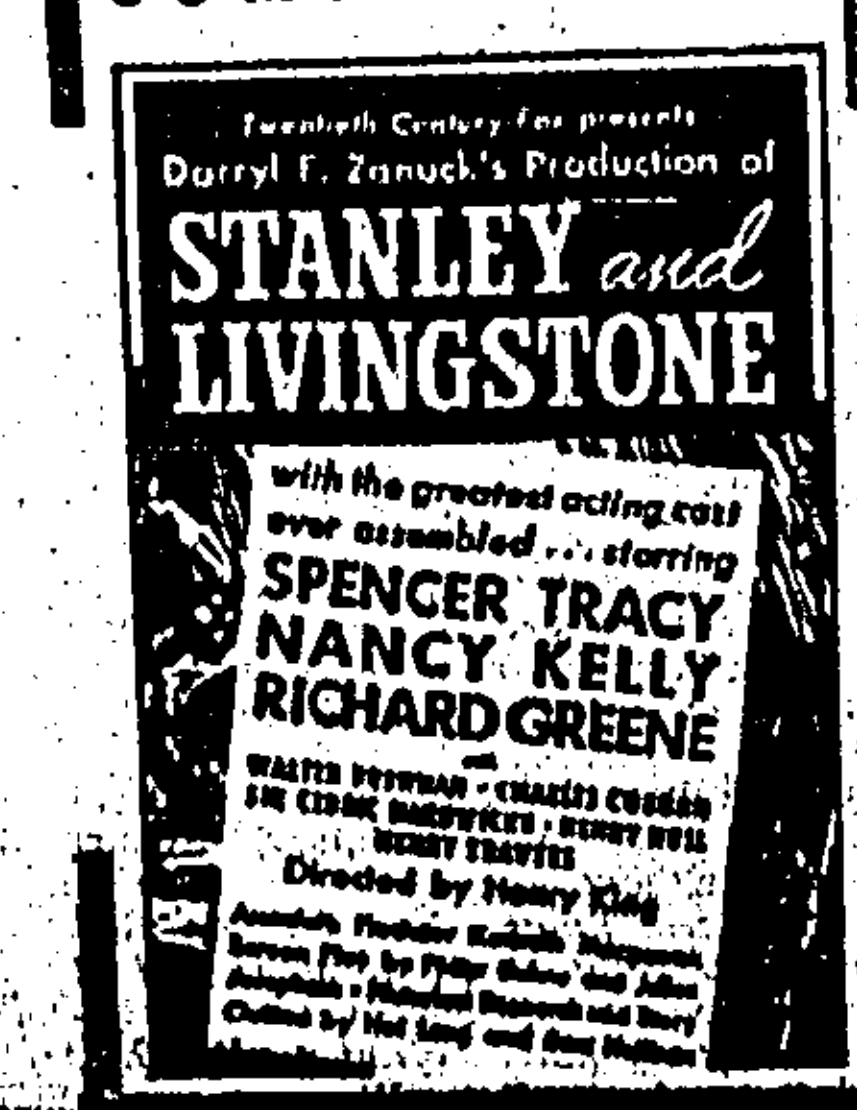
was ever written in a war-time letter about me. I've got a cushy job miles behind the line—by men who knew nothing cushier than in and out of the front line. But "it kept the missus from worrying."

And another noble fragment: "I wonder if to-day is as fine a day with you as with us. Sunshine, a few clouds, a perfect day for golf."

Captain—was dropped up to write that letter to the girl he had hoped to marry. He was dying, and knew it.

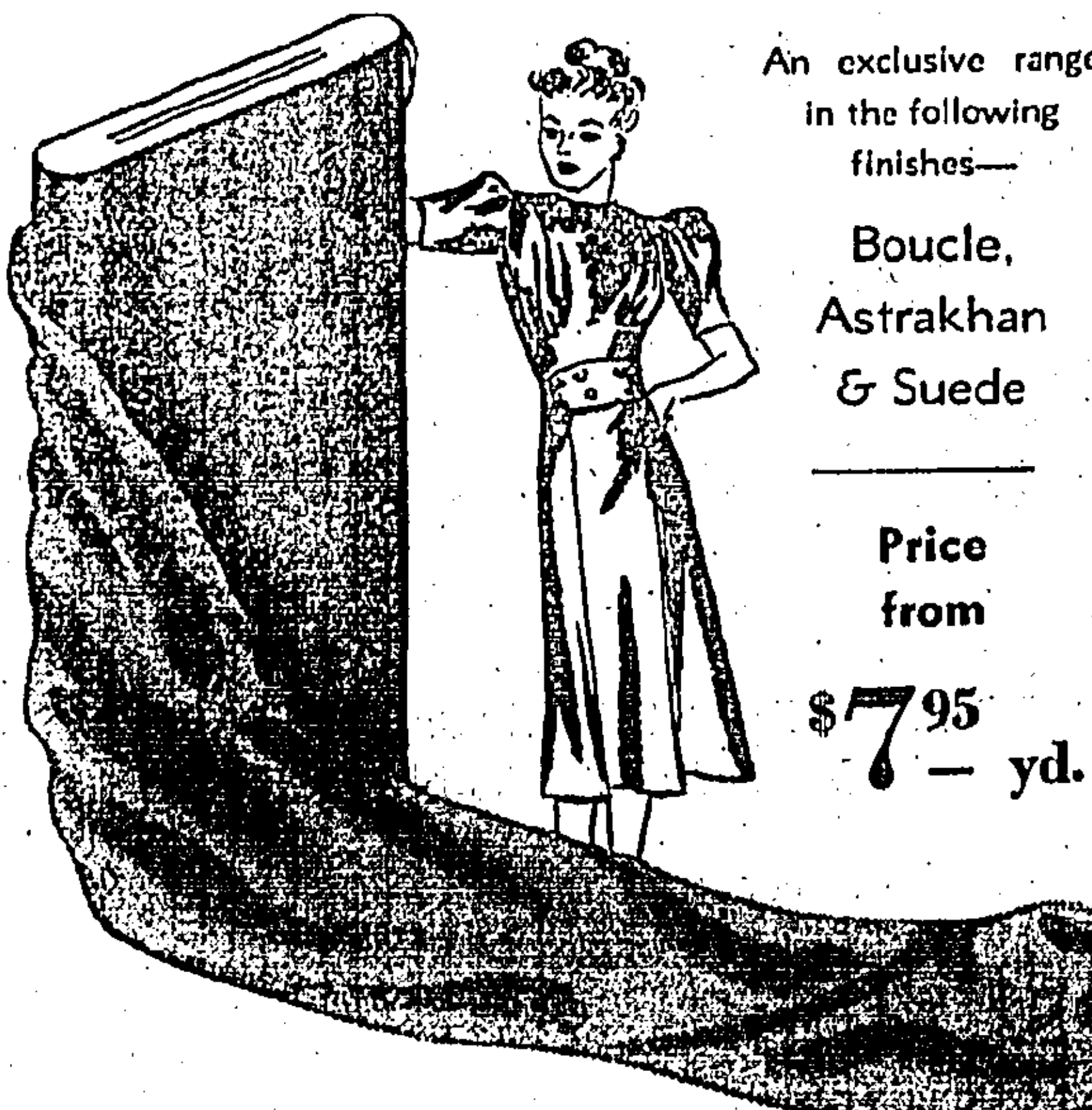
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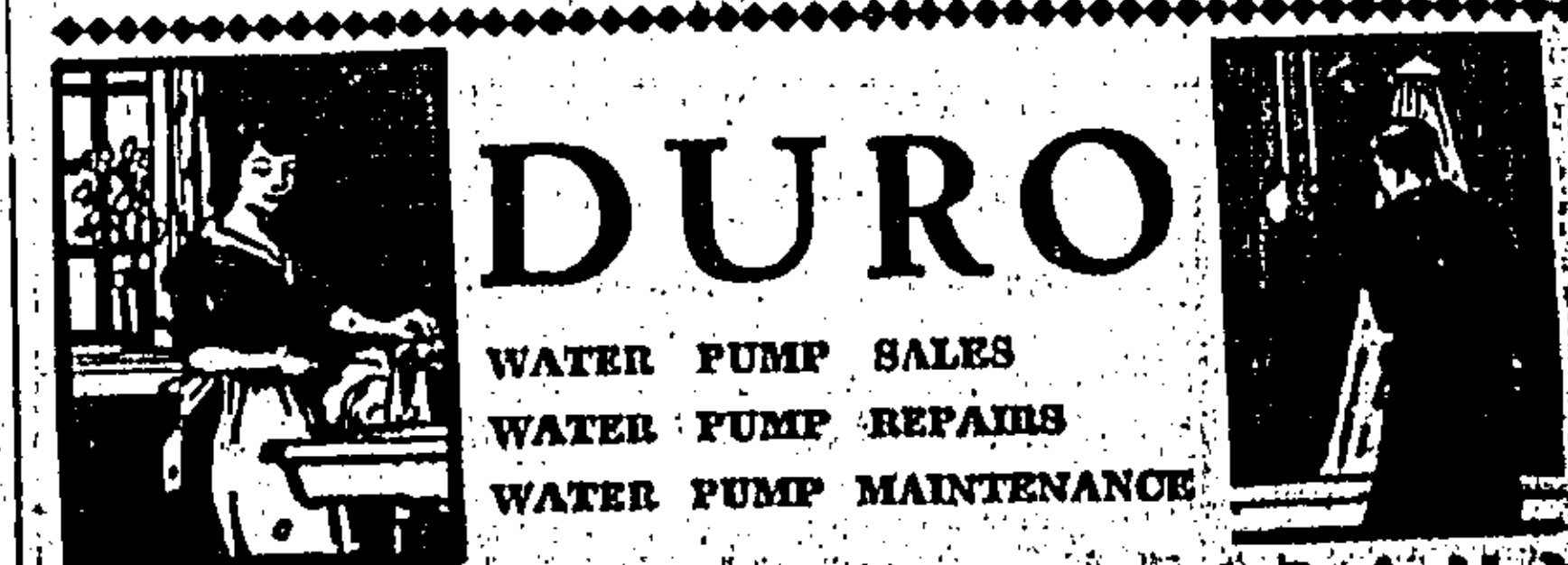
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### Bad News, Good Propaganda

"The people of this country are  
resolute enough to hear bad news." Here Prime Minister Chamberlain gives a key to much in the war news—and in the war. The British can take their bad news straight. There have been no soft words in London's reporting of war losses; sometimes, indeed, it has almost seemed that officialdom intentionally sharpened bad news with blunt statement. But Mr. Chamberlain knows his people, and also that honesty is the best propaganda.

Referring to German claims of damaging or sinking the Hood, the Repulse, and the Ark Royal, he says such reports "may serve for a time to raise their spirits but in the end their falsity will be demonstrated and the consequent disappointment will be only the more depressing." He might have quoted a certain high authority on German and English propaganda in the World War.

Thus the English soldier could not even for a moment have the impression that his country had taught him the wrong facts, something which was unfortunately the case to such an extent with the German soldier that he finally rejected everything that came from this side as "swindle."

Adolf Hitler wrote those words in "Mein Kampf," and in this war he has tried to avoid repeating World War blunders. But there are indications that Berlin is being more honest with other peoples than with the Germans themselves. For some of the material allowed to come out could not be circulated in Germany. Even before this war started many Germans would have rejected with Herr Hitler's own strong words the "news" his Propaganda Ministry furnished.

Berlin may have counteracted some of this distrust by reporting certain German losses, but it has been far less blunt about bad news than London. Moreover the German Government has so "protected" its people from news even from neutral countries that listening to foreign radio reports is a capital offence. Indeed, it appears that the whole structure of the Hitler regime is so dependent on saving the German people from the impact of uncensored news that it is bound to repeat the mistakes denounced in "Mein Kampf." And when unpleasant facts finally break through how devastating must be their effect.

# Stalin Signed a Scrap of Paper

BY ANNA GINSBEURG

FINLAND—a modest country of some four million cultured, industrious and democratically-minded people, finds herself in the headlines of world news to-day due to the sudden challenge to her independence.

That this challenge should come from Russia, Finland's sovereign in the past and her friendly neighbour since the Revolution, is a matter of import in more than one respect, as it signifies a change in Russia's treatment of "weak nations" with its inevitable consequences upon world politics at large.

The relationship between the two countries is determined by the Dorpat Treaty, which gave Finland independence, and the Non-Aggression Pact of 1932, under which Russia agrees to respect the Russo-Finnish border and settle the difficulties that may arise in an amicable way.

THE present Russian demands, supported by the threat to use force, are for strategic naval bases in the Gulf of Finland, with a view of strengthening Leningrad's security, and a mutual assistance pact along the lines of those negotiated with other Baltic states.

In exchange Russia is prepared to cede a part of Karelia, a vast, but strategically valueless territory, with considerable Finnish population.

Although not expressly so stated, the whole tone of Soviet proposals bears evidence of an uncompromising stand, which meets with the no less irconcilable attitude of the Finnish Government.

Apparently, Finland has decided to defend her integrity and independence by all possible means and, knowing the character of the Finns, there is little doubt that she will pursue this policy to the end.

Unless Russia modifies her demands, a conflict will arise, where both parties may resolve to take to arms.

THE Russian action, which is officially explained as "the necessity to secure reliable defence in order to have a free hand in international affairs, continue the policy of neutrality and cease the war," is in fact motivated by two main reasons.

The first of them is the reversal of Soviet's foreign policy toward the minorities and small states following the conclusion of the Russo-German pact, and the second one—the long-lived enmity between Russia and her former vassal, to whom she gave independence in 1917, and which has since steadily moved to the right, developing into a progressive and tolerant democracy.

Viewing the recent political developments in Europe one can but sadly state that the problem of co-existence of strong and weak nations is becoming ever so sharp.

The rivalry for subordination of those who are not strong enough to resist now involves champions of opposite political creeds, and the sport-like game for domination that we witness to-day is reminiscent of the struggle for colonial possessions in the last century.

FINLAND has a long tradition of struggle for independence. For six centuries she was united with Sweden, then taken by Russia in 1808 and incorporated in the Russian Em-

### The "Telegraph" Picked This Out

Look now on that Adventurer who hath led  
His vows to Fortune; who, in cruel slight  
Of virtuous hope, of liberty, and right,  
Hath followed whereso'er a way was made  
By the blind Goddess;—ruthless, undimmed;  
And so hath gained at length a prosperous  
height.

Round which the elements of worldly might  
Beneath his haughty feet, like clouds, are laid!  
O joyless power that stands by lawless force!  
Curses are his dire portion, scorn, and hate,  
Internal darkness and unquiet breath;  
And, if old judgments keep their sacred course,  
Him from that height shall Heaven precipitate  
By violent and ignominious death.

—William Wordsworth.

## FRONT LINE LETTER

### Hero Who Did Not Return

A HERO of the Kiel raid and a bombing raid over Germany is First Class Aircraftman Alan Wilson.

He wrote to his mother before the last raid telling her he was just going on a raid over Germany.

"I have left instructions for it to get posted if I do not come back. You know, darling, I have died for the country. I love the country. I hope will be made safe for people like yourself."

He did not return. He was only 18½.

THAT letter from "the boy who did not come home" in yesterday's "Telegraph" was, I think, the noblest letter from a soldier to wife, mother or sweetheart I have ever read—and I have read many soldiers' letters home.

"Dear mother, I am in the pink, hoping you and all at home are the same..." was the traditional

fire.

During the 19th century there was a continuous growth of Finnish national consciousness, which resulted in a big strike in 1900 that gave Finland her first democratic constitution and the world its first really democratic Parliament.

In 1917, immediately after the Russian Revolution, there was a Red Coup d'Etat in Finland, and the Socialist Workers' Republic was declared. It was opposed by the organised White forces which, helped by Germany, won the war and expelled the Communists from the country.

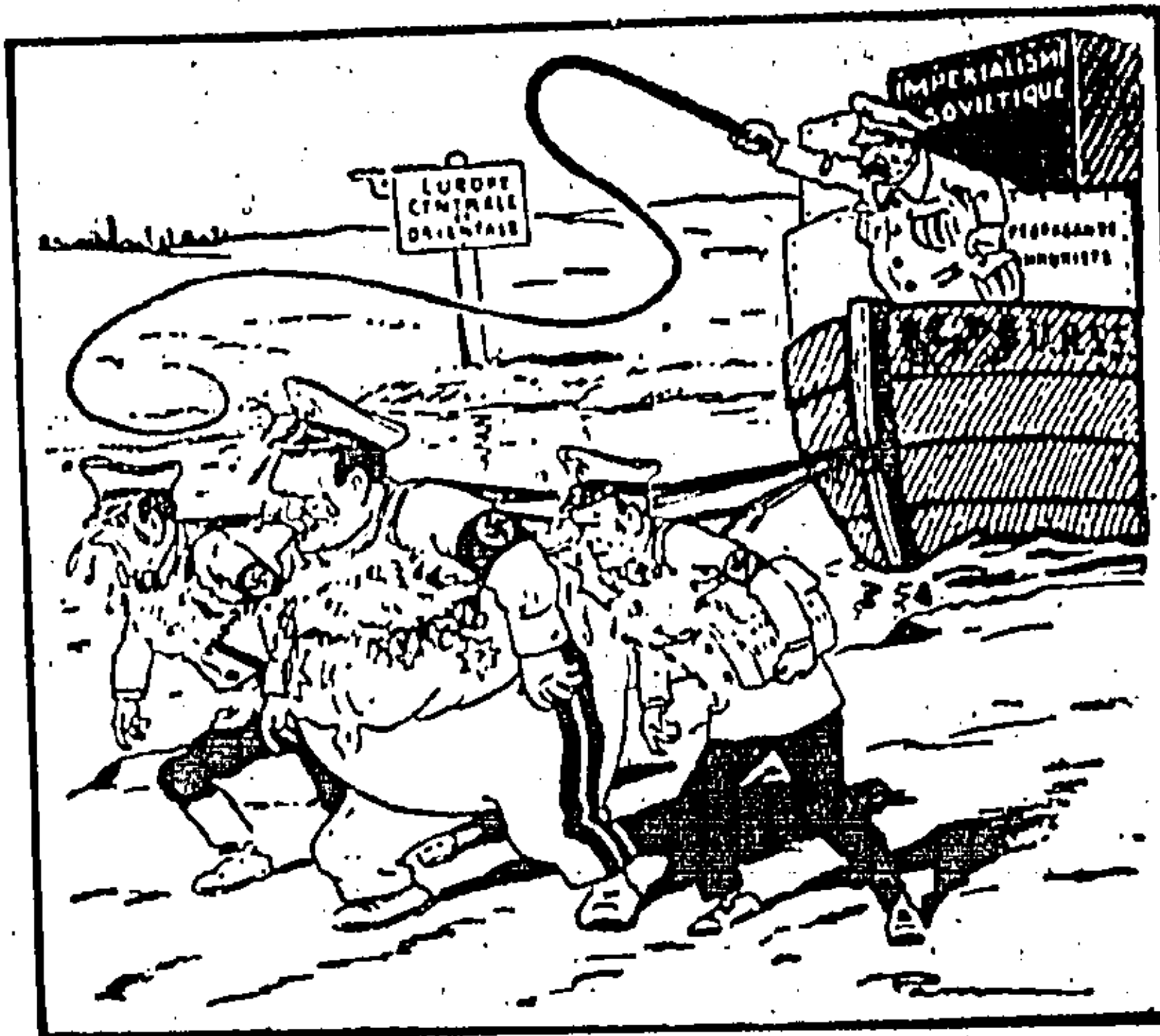
After the end of the civil war a new Diet was elected and slightly modified the Constitution of 1906, but the fear of Russia and of Communism led to the formation of a kind of Finnish "Gestapo"—Civilians.

In 1939, there was an outbreak of Fascist activity, which resulted in the complete disbanding of the Communist Party, and was instrumental in passing an act of Parliament, by which no member of any party working for the overthrow of the state was to be elected.

As the review of a span of Finnish history reveals, the relationship between Finland and Russia has never been cordial, but always tense due to political discords.

As commercially the two countries also little depend upon each other, and there are no racial ties between the two peoples, there is really nothing which would prevent Russia from abusing her weaker neighbour when her own interests are at stake.

In the conflict which has arisen, might be decided on the Russian side, but sympathy and understanding will rest with the proud and independent people, citizens of a liberal and progressive state.



"THE VOLGA BOATMEN"

From the Paris magazine, Aux Ecoules.

## A Russian child's guide to a very awkward situation

WHAT'S that funny hat father's putting on?

Hush, Ivan. That's Papa Stalin's new yachting cap, and he's very proud of it. Papa Stalin's going for a holiday in the Baltic.

How lovely! Shall we go too?

Yes, dear, but don't tell any one. Papa Stalin's going first to find a nice place for us. He's been working so hard at his nasty old medical exams.

Is that why that beastly von somebody came to stay with us? Is he father's tutor?

You mustn't talk of Reichminister Ribbentrop like that. He's a very clever gentleman indeed.

Then why did Papa Stalin tell Mr. Molotov that he was going to teach Herr von a thing or two?

Ivan! You must not repeat such conversations. (Quickly.) What else did father say?

He said von R. had yet to learn what encirclement really meant, but he would pretty soon. Then he said Lebensraum was a Russian word really, but von R. could have six feet of it at any time, and he would take the rest... Father and Mr. Molotov laughed like anything. Why does father laugh so much these days? Did he pass in his exams?

Yes, dear. He was top of the class in the Anatomy of Non-aggression and first in Political Surgery. They practised on Poland. Mr. Ribbentrop used the knife and your father administered the anaesthetic.

What happened to the patient?

Oh, the patient died, but the operation was a success. Your father and Mr. Ribbentrop have agreed that there is no need for an inquest, whatever any one may say.

And who will they practise on next, do you think?

Ah, that's what every one would like to know. Mr. Ribbentrop thinks they should operate on Rumania, but Papa Stalin says "Wait." Your father thinks he can look after Rumania himself and Bulgaria too. His friend Mr. Sarajoglu from Turkey told him that there should be no more need for operations. Papa Stalin has great respect for Mr. Sarajoglu's opinion.

Oh, yes, Mr. Sarajoglu's such a nice man. I asked him how long he was staying and he said, "Ask your father. For ever, by the looks of things."

Now, dear, you know how busy Papa Stalin is. All these queer people from Latvia and Estonia, and over every one and taking up all his time. Still, it will be lovely when we've fixed up all our accommodation at the seaside.

Ooh, wonderful, when shall we go?

Well, dear, your Uncle Voroshilov is having a look round. He's booked a few Gulf of Finland—such safe paddling for us all—and you'll be able to fly your airplanes everywhere in Latvia. And there are two grand islands called Dagoo and Oesel near by, and you can sail all your little ships round them at once.

But don't those islands belong to the Estonians?

Yes, of course, but they've lent them to us. And then there are two nice sandy harbours—Windau and Lindau, especially Lindau, and throw flowers at us—you know, like Papa Stalin said they did in Poland?

Er, no, I don't suppose so. But remember, the Poles begged us to come in to save them.

Well, why didn't they let our soldiers march in to help them, before the Nazis started fighting?

Ivan, you know perfectly well that's why father talks with England and France broke down. The Poles have low, suspicious minds. They actually said that once the Red Army crossed into Poland, they would never get them out again. They wouldn't trust us, I'm sorry to say.

I bet they're sorry, too, now. So to prove how wrong they were Papa Stalin will take our soldiers out of Poland as soon as the Germans are beaten?

Certainly not, I mean, don't you see that half of Poland is part of Russia now?

So if the Poles, had let the Red Army go right through at the start we'd have the whole of Poland instead of only half? What a pity they didn't trust us after all that?

Yes, and they are not the only ones who don't trust us. PLEASE Turn To Page 3.



## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

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overs for one wicket. Lloyd and Anderson did most of the damage with four for thirty and three for thirty respectively.

### ANDERSON'S FINE INNINGS

DONALD ANDERSON at last has managed to run into his true form. He started slowly—I nearly wrote shakily—but settled down and, though he had seen five batsmen go for practically nothing, he played himself in.

Hung mistimed Orazio, who bowled excellently, and was taken at mid-off. Baxter (l.v.w.) and Napley (bowled) both fell to balls that kept low, pitching, it seemed, on the leg stump. Broadbridge tried to knock Orazio off but was well caught at long on, while A. Zimmerman was bowled at once.

It was not until Lloyd came in that K.C.C. looked like saving the match. The newcomer's great reach helped him to deal with balls that would have been very dangerous to a shorter batsman. Anderson watched everything and began to score fast.

Rodrigues put on G. N. Gosano for E.L. who had bowled steadily on a pitch which did not suit him, and then switched Orazio to the other end, and brought E. L. Gosano back at the Pavilion end.

Orazio yanked Lloyd, for a most useful score of twenty-two, and had at that time taken all six wickets. K.C.C. had just time and, though Teddy Fincher was run out in bustling, R. E. Lee hit one past cover for two to win the match. It was a great finish, just about two or three minutes before time.

But the game as a whole showed that both Clubs rely too much on two or three individuals. I hear great things of Kowloon's fielding. I have seldom seen a side field better than the Revere, and their throwing in was extraordinarily accurate.

### University Again Escape

AT POKFULAM, Craigen-gower made very light of the University bowling after Gegg had got rid of A. R. H. Esmail, and A. H. P. Lim pretty cheaply. They totalled 153 for three wickets, of which E. A. Lee, who is in great form just now, made top score with 61 not out. George Souza had 38 not out and he seems to be settling back to form.

### ENCOURAGING

THE UNIVERSITY batting was encouraging so far that the later men all did their share of staving off defeat after the first four batsmen had fallen. In fact the first six batsmen between them only got 27 runs. Then Sen Gupta (13) and Ljung (10) held up the wicket. They both were run out in the end. Chin Thian-saw saved things with an excellent score of 38. Mahmood and R. Singh held up the last wicket and saved the game. I am afraid that the University are not really up to last eleven standard though they are playing very excellently indeed. But they must improve their calling and judgment of a run.

### R.A.F. Draw

THE CRAIGENGOWER 2nd eleven knocked up 136 against the R.A.F. A.B. Hamson, who formerly used to play for the 1st eleven was top scorer with 41, and A. Hung got 28. Nancarrow took 6 wickets for 39, a satisfactory piece of bowling. When the Air Force went into bat they did not come off as well as usual—I have an idea that one or two of their best bats were away—but they managed to stop in the end and scored 78 runs for 6 wickets. Mr. Extras was easily top with 25, of which 13 were leg byes! Only two men got into double figures.

### All Round Cricket

AT SOOKUNPOO, quite a strong Army side beat the Police very comfortably. They were definitely too heavy metal for the visitors, who found the Army bowlers too good for them. Denyer, who is a deadly bowler against the weaker batsmen, had the figures of 4.5/1/0/5, which was an excellent performance. Ratcliffe took 2 for 7 in 6 overs and Murphy 3 for 18. Denyer followed up his fine bowling by an innings of 55 retired, but previous to this the game had been already won. Whatman made 28 and Patterson 31, both retired. The final score was 103 for 6 wickets.

### C.S.C.C. Beaten

I see that a very weak Civil Service 2nd eleven were beaten by the D.B.S. by 8 wickets. For the School J. Fisher made 64 and C. Whitfield 32. The match finished with a very bad light which, as often as not, harder on the fieldsmen than on the batsmen.

### I.R.C. Juniors' Beat Feat To Date

THE INDIAN R.C. juniors performed their best feat of the current cricket season when they defeated the Hongkong ground.

## SERIOUS SIND RIOTING

Communal Troubles: Eleven Killed

LONDON, Nov. 27 (British Wireless).—According to a statement on the recent Hindu-Muslim rioting at Sukkar, in the province of Sind made public by the India Office, the communal tension which has existed for some time there has its origin in a group of old Government buildings known as The Manzilgah.

These buildings were claimed by Muslims to be a Mosque, a claim which the Hindus opposed. The local authorities decided to take possession of The Manzilgah, ejecting the Muslim volunteers who had occupied the buildings. This was effected by the police with little trouble. There was no actual fighting, and though the military were standing by, their assistance was not required.

### Eleven Killed

The major trouble occurred in Sukkar City after the occupation of Manzilgah. There were communal riots in which eleven were killed and others injured.

It was necessary to impose a curfew but, after a calm night, there was renewal of fighting, with further casualties, between Hindus and Muslims on November 20. The measures taken by the local authorities and the arrival of additional troops resulted in considerable improvement in the situation. Stray cases of assault and arson continued, but there was no massed conflict with the police. Troops were used only as patrols and did not come into conflict with the crowds.

### New Problem Arises

But on November 22, the position in Sukkar and the neighbouring towns of Shikapur and Rohri was apparently stabilised but a new problem was presented by reports of looting and the murder of Hindus by organised gangs in the surrounding districts.

Steps were accordingly taken to reinforce the troops at Sukkar in the object of maintaining peace in the three towns mentioned, thus settling the police for action in the districts. In addition to military reinforcements under a senior officer, the Premier and Home Minister left Karachi for Sukkar to get in touch with the Zamindars—the leading agriculturists—and aid in restoring confidence.

Hitherto there have been no reports of trouble in the other districts of Sind, and the latest report from Sukkar and the surrounding districts is more reassuring. There are, however, indications of attempts to damage the railway at certain points. Only trifling damage is reported but vigilance is being maintained by the authorities.

A Lecture entitled "The Universality of Law" will be given by The Rev. Father Casey, S.J., at 8.30 p.m. to-morrow in the Hongkong University Union Assembly Room. All interested are welcome.

C.C. seconds at Sookunpoo by 45 runs on Saturday.

Scoring was on the low side. The Indians, batting first, totalled 130 as the result of steady rather than brilliant batting, but against this, the Club side, which had looked formidable on paper, made only 85 in reply.

The best innings of the day was that of A. R. Sullivan, who batted attractively for his 31. It is a pity that his hours of duty prevent him from putting in regular practice; otherwise many more runs would flow regularly from his bat.

The Indians might have been dismissed for less than 120 had a couple of catches late in the innings been accepted.

Even then, however, the final score of 130 seemed well within the capabilities of the Club batsmen, especially as they had nearly two hours in which to make these runs.

PAINFULLY SLOW BUT R. M. M. King and H. J. Armistead, who opened the Club innings, were painfully slow, refusing to take the slightest risk against bowling which, at best, could only be termed "steady." Seven overs were required before they were able to take the score to 10 and the first 30 was hoisted after 60 minutes.

A. K. Mackenzie and R. S. W. Patterson made an attempt to speed up the rate of scoring, and it was when they were associated that the best bits of the game were seen.

BRIGHT BATTING HITTING OUT to good effect and taking many snappy short runs. Mackenzie seemed untroubled by the bowling, but he rather foolishly ran himself out when attempting an impossible second run.

After his dismissal, there was little hope for the Club and the last wicket fell at 85.

The top bowlers of the day were D. S. Robb, of the Club, who took five wickets for 77 runs, and A. E. Arculli, Jr., who captured five Club wickets for only 31.

Robb was heavily punished at times, but his steadiness yielded five well-earned wickets.

Young Arculli, son of the veteran cricketer who used to captain the Indian R.C. 1st XI many years ago, is a distinct "find" for the Indians. A medium-paced bowler, he kept a fine length on Saturday and despite the heaviness of the pitch managed to impart quite a bit of pace off the ground.

## Royal Family At Theatre Rousing Ovation From Audience

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The King, in the uniform of an Admiral of the Fleet, the Queen, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester and the Duke and Duchess of Kent went to the London theatre last night for the first time since the outbreak of war. They entered the Royal Box in the middle of the first scene of the revue "Black Velvet," and were immediately recognised by the audience, comprising many officers in khaki, who all stood clapping and cheering. The tremendous ovation lasted two and a half minutes.

It was a happy informal occasion. Their Majesties joined heartily in the laughter which greeted every number.

## MRS. ROOSEVELT MAY TESTIFY

Subversive Element In America

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (UP).—Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt, the wife of the President, offered to appear before the Dies Committee and testify regarding the alleged Communist control of the American Youth Congress. Congressmen Dies is ill at home but said Mrs. Roosevelt would "probably" be given an opportunity to testify together with Mr. Alfred M. Lillenthal, the vice-chairman of the Provisional Congress of American Youth who told Mr. Dies that he had "conclusive proof" that the Youth Congress was a Communist group.

## French Parliament To Meet Thursday

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 27 (UP).—The French Parliament has been summoned for an extraordinary session on Thursday. Its chief task will be to renew the Government's full emergency powers which expire on November 30, upon which the execution of the Decree Laws is dependent. It has been announced that the official journal on Tuesday will publish a decree applying the embargo to German exports.

Also it is officially announced that a Council of Ministers, presided over by President Lebrun, will meet on Wednesday to discuss the parliamentary session.

## Marine Officer Killed At Taikoo

A young mercantile marine officer, Mr. C. G. Rigby, second officer of the s.s. Kiangsu, was killed during the night in circumstances which have not yet been determined.

He was found, dead, in the bottom of No. 2 hold of the Kiangsu, at Taikoo Dock, having obviously fallen from the deck.

He was only 27 years of age and had been with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire for just over twelve months. It is understood that he was a native of Millford Haven.

No funeral arrangements have yet been made.

## KUHN CAN'T GET AWAY WITH IT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (UP).—Judge Wallace has denied a series of mis-trial motions filed in connection with the grand larceny trial of Fritz Kuhn, the Nazi Bund leader. It is announced that five counts of grand larceny will be submitted to the jury.

If Kuhn is convicted he can be sentenced to a maximum of 20 years.

In his summations the Judge accused defence counsel of "trying to goad the Court in order to bring about a mis-trial."

## \$25,000,000 LAW SUIT FILED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 27 (UP).—Mr. William J. Wardell, Trustee of the McKesson Robbins Interests has filed a suit for \$25,000,000 in the Federal Court against the Administrators of the estate of the late F. Donald Foster-Musica on the grounds that dividends were illegally paid between 1928 and 1938.

The action further alleges that Foster and his accomplices "unlawfully converted, embezzled and took for their own use the sum of \$2,839,850.94."

## Snow Falls In The North

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Nov. 28 (Domel).—Snow fell for the first time this year in the city of Gifu yesterday, the fall coming 14 days later than that of last year but eight days earlier than in normal years. In the suburbs of Osaka, mostly around Sakai, also experienced yesterday their first snow fall of the year.

## NEW "FREEDOM" RADIO STATION

Tolls Of Agents In The Krupp Factories

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The new German "Freedom" Station came on the air on Sunday night.

The announcer said that the sponsors of the station were receiving detailed information from Krupp and other factories through their agents. The announcer said that the station was operating in the Ruhr district and called the station, adopting the name of the regular Nazi station, "Deutschland Sender," adding the adjective which he accented, "Free." The adjective means "Free."

## JUNK MINED NEAR H.K.

A Hongkong junk was blown up last Thursday by a mine—believed to have been Japanese—according to a belated report just received by the police.

A crew of 24 were thrown into the water, and although 20 were rescued by a passing junk, five are missing, feared to be drowned. The junk was blown up on Thursday morning last off Sam Chung Kan in the San Mei district, believed to be near the West River.

The craft was blown to atoms and the crew of 25 including the master, Kwok Kin-cheung, thrown into the water.

Fortunately a junk was passing nearby and managed to rescue the majority of the men.

## NAZI SHIP CAPTURED

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The British tanker James J. Maguire (10,525 tons) was sunk off the east coast of England last week.

Swiss Ship Mined BERLIN, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—German newspapers assert that a Swiss steamer named Helena has been sunk by a mine in the Channel.

It is believed here that the ship referred to is the Helene Kulikundis, 5,540 tons, which was one of nine ships chartered by the Swiss Transport Office from a Greek shipping firm for the carrying of shipping to the United States with a cargo of cereals.

## U.S. Treasury To Raise Big Loan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (UP).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, secretary of state of the treasury, announced today that the United States Treasury would raise \$500,000,000 cash through the sale of 9 to 11-year two per cent. bonds, which will be offered to the public to-morrow.

The Treasury will sell \$50,000,000 of the same bonds to Government investment accounts. No cash will be involved in this latter transaction.

## LICENSING WAR EXPORTS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—According to a "Dow Jones" message from Washington, the War Department has tentatively drafted a bill, Submissible to Congress at the next session, empowering Government to place the export of certain strategic war materials under a licensing system.

## NAZI AIRMEN INTERNEED

ZURICH, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The German airmen who fled to Switzerland from France have been interned.

When their plane was disabled, they took to parachutes and landed in French territory close to the frontier. They fled across the border before they could be apprehended.

## Shanghai Bound Train Derailed

CHUNGKING, Nov. 28 (Central).—A Shanghai-bound train on the Shanghai-Hankow Railway was derailed between Kienchiao and Linping, northeast of Hangchow, last Saturday owing to sabotage work on the rails by Chinese mobile units.

Between 40 and 50 persons were killed and wounded.

## BELGO-GERMAN TRADE TALKS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BRUSSELS, Nov. 27 (UP).—It is announced that the recent Belgian-German economic negotiations with Berlin will be resumed in Brussels next week.

## NO NOBEL PEACE PRIZE FOR 1939

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OSLO, November 27 (UP).—It has been officially announced that no Nobel Peace Prize will be awarded this year.

OSAKA, Nov. 28 (Domel).—The main wooden building of the Osaka Railway Station was completely burnt to the ground in a fire which broke out at 4.15 p.m. yesterday. The fire was under control at 5.40 p.m.

## NEED NOT ALARM BRITAIN

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embargo on German export in the way of reprisal.

Circular To Neutrals SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—A circular communication will be made by the British Government to neutral countries through their respective envoys in London, probably on Tuesday, simultaneously with the issuance of the Order-in-Council regarding the embargo on German exports.

It has been emphasised that the Order-in-Council has paid close attention to the interests of neutral Powers, and that Britain will act in such a manner as to interfere as little as possible with neutral trade "while taking adequate measures to penalise Germany for the wanton and illegal methods of warfare in which she has been showing complete disregard for the safety of shipping and human life either belligerents or neutrals."

It is reliably reported that the application of the Order-in-Council will be delayed for a few days following its issuance.

## Japan's Protest

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Shigemitsu, who presented a note of protest to Lord Halifax objecting to the embargo, revealed that Japan's firm attitude is due especially to Germany's impending delivery of machine tools for armaments manufacture—machinery so heavy and bulky that it could not be transported by railway through Russia.

It is believed possible, however, that the British Order-in-Council may exempt from the embargo, such German goods as neutrals have not paid for in advance, which would thus solve Japan's immediate problem.

## To Consider Protest

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Domel).—It is understood that the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, in receiving the Japanese Government's protest regarding the British seizure of German exports on the high seas on the Monday afternoon, informed the Japanese Ambassador that Britain would have to proceed ahead with the measures to intercept Germany's outgoing trade.

Foreign Secretary Halifax, however, it is further revealed, assured the Japanese Ambassador that the British Government would give consideration to the losses which Japan might suffer as the result of the British action.

The British Government will make a formal reply to the Japanese representations in the near future.

## Reprisals Defended

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Commenting on the extension of the contraband control to German exports, M. Fernot, the Minister of Blockade, emphasised that the Government is particularly anxious to safeguard the rights of neutrals.

All possible account of their legitimate interests will be taken. Neutrals will be able to have recourse to the Contraband Control Committee and the Prize Court.

He urged neutral exporters to assist in avoiding unnecessary difficulties by having the certificate of origin vided by the British or French Consul at the port of departure.

## New Markets Offered

He added: "The new blockade hurts only the vital interests of the enemy."

"Markets conquered by Germany by dumping and other unfair means now will be opened up for the Allies and neutrals, and the latter will have the best chance of profiting thereby since the largest part of the Allies' production capacity is devoted to war purposes."

M. Fernot concluded that the measures are not new. They are the same as those enforced by the Allies in 1917 and 1918.

In fighting for liberty and national independence in Europe, the Allies are fighting for the vital interests of neutrals.

## Swedish Ships Held

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Social Democrat magazine "Tiden" states that there are now 38 Swedish ships being detained in German ports, and through the contraband control, 15 Swedish vessels are in British ports, and one in a French port.

This is a total of 54 Swedish vessels with a tonnage of 114,000, mostly loaded with cellulose which is destined for the United States, Holland and Belgium.

Several of these ships have been detained for over a month.

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Mr. Brandel, a visitor to the Colony.

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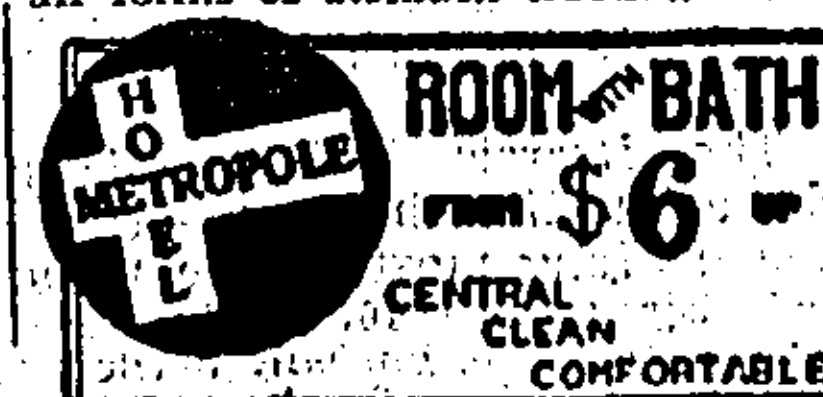
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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

# LEAGUE MAY BE DISORGANISED

## Possibility Of Volunteer Camps Later In The Present Season

THE ENTHUSIASM which is being displayed in cricket this year is most encouraging, and in spite of Camp difficulties most teams are managing to turn out some sort of a side and carry on. I have, however, heard a rumour that there will be a further series of camps starting somewhere about the third week in January.

I do not vouch in any way for this statement, but if it is correct, I rather think it will mean the abandonment of the League. However, if the present enthusiasm is maintained it will not really matter.

THE CLUB managed to raise a team against the I.R.C. first eleven by calling on their outside members, their regular team being cut up by camp and drills. Richardson, Perry and Porteus played from the Civil Service, Godby from the Army, and W. G. Finnie from the Navy. Two substitutes fielded to begin with, but later another man turned up, and finally Alec Pearce suddenly appeared in time to play a very bright innings by the courtesy of the I.R.C., as, not having fielded, he was not strictly entitled to bat. (N.B. This is what I was told—I had left for K.C.C. before then).

### A POOR START

THE INDIANS batted first and Godby bowled from the Naval Yard end. His good length ball was always dangerous, but it seemed to go just outside the off stump, while he sent down some shocking long-hops. Perry at the other end was very steady, but after watching him for a bit I think I have discovered why he does not get the wickets he seems to deserve. The trouble is that he bowls out-swingers but pitches them for the most part on or just outside the off stump which enables the batsman safely to ignore them unless they are of such length that they can safely be punished. In his first over, six balls were ignored, a short one was cut for two, and one pitched about on the leg stump did everything but bowl Nazarin. If he could stick to that for six balls an over with only a couple of the others he would force the batsman to play at him and would get far more slip catches than he does now.

Godby never found a length, and at 22 was lucky to get A. H. Rumjahn to flick at a very short one to be taken at second slip (23-1-8). A. R. Kitchell succeeded and Finnie relieved Godby, but at 32 Perry's perseverance was rewarded as Nazarin tried to cut one he should have left alone and was smartly taken at first slip 32-2-17.

### CAREY FINDS A LENGTH

CAREY succeeded Perry, and in his first over failed to find a length as his second ball was smacked to mid-wicket for four, and a full toss went to the square leg boundary, and 50 was up in forty minutes. Carey then found his length. He sent down

a real good 'un to which Kitchell played forward but was bowled all the way. (51-3-13).

Bakar, promoted in the original order, came in, but both he and Madar were stuck up by the slow bowler. The latter played Finnie very well, on driving him for four, and then taking a short one on the off which resulted in a four over-throw.

Next over, however, Carey tempted Bakar down the pitch and Porteus smartly stumped him (61-4-1), while K. M. Rumjahn, after hitting a full-toss for four, was very finely caught and bowled as Carey dived down the pitch and took the ball very close to the ground. It was thought at the time it was off the ninth ball of the over, but it subsequently transpired that a no-ball had been called but not heard in the scoring box.

### A GOOD STAND

WITH FIVE DOWN for 65, the Indians had not made a good start, but Madar, who was, as usual, watching the ball very closely, was joined by A. M. Rumjahn, and no further success met the efforts of the Club bowlers until Richardson went on and bowled Madar (43), and had A. M. Rumjahn (44) stumped. Ride got M. el Arculli at once, but Minu hit out for 28 not out, and S. A. Ismail got ten, and the innings was declared at 174 for 8, a very much higher score than appeared probable at one time.

### THE CLUB BAT

THE CLUB STARTED with the opening pair of the C.S.C.C., and followed them up with Perry first wicket. Richardson did not get going, but Porteus and Perry made a good stand until both were stumped. Porteus played forward to Minu and just scraped over the crease while Perry danced down the pitch to A. M. Rumjahn and was out by about four yards. The only remaining feature of the Club innings was a sparkling innings by T. A. Pearce who hit two successive sixes, one on to the roof of the Commodore's cabin, and one near the petrol filling station. I do not think that the Club would have got the runs unless Godby had got going, but there was no time for a decision.

### K.C.C.'s Win

BY THE TIME I arrived at the K.C.C., the home team were



His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grasett, G.O.C., watching the firing at the Sunday meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association, the proceeds of which went to the British War Organisation Fund.—Mee Cheung.

### Rugby Football

## Strong Club "A" Fifteen Beat Kai Tak 11-0

(By "Fly-half")

ON THE CLUB GROUND yesterday evening, a strong Club "A" team defeated Kai Tak by 11 points (one goal and two tries) to nil, in a rather scrappy game. Credit must be given to the Kai Tak XV for their gameness against the strongest Club "A" team fielded this year. Their forwards, with Gash, Hynes and Taylor to the fore, upset the Club back division, especially the halves, by their quick breaking and forceful play.

Wakefield, at scrum half for Kai Tak, was a weak link; he generally gathered the ball, stood up and looked around before passing, with the result that Bedell was given very little room in which to move by Club forwards, who had plenty of time in which to close in on him.

This seemed to disorganise the whole of the Kai Tak back division, and prevented them from getting into movement. Torrey, on the wing, was inclined to wander, and was never given anything like a chance to score. Stewart was seldom in the picture, although the little he had to do was well done.

Kai Tak's right wing sustained a damaged knee early in the game and was virtually a passenger from then on. He was off the field for a good portion of both halves; and during his absence it was bad policy not to have sent a forward out of the pack to fill his position, as it left Bosanquet in a clear field. Fowler tried hard at full back, although he wants to remember that a kick ahead by his opponents should be fielded by him before the ball bounces, if at all possible.

### LINEOUT FAILINGS

CLUB FORWARDS were not marking and binding in the lineouts as they should have, and as a result the almsmen broke through frequently, to carry the ball well up the field by the field by foot rushes. Godfrey

### Army Rugby Fifteen

The following have been selected to present Army in the first round of the Hongkong Rugby game against Club at Soekunpoo, on Saturday at 4 p.m.

Serg. Lang (R.A.O.C.), Bombr. Marsh (R.A.), Lieut. Skippin (R.A.), Lieut. Wale (R.A.), Lieut. Richards (R.A.), Lieut. Bae (R.A.), Lieut. Pinkerton (R.A.), Lieut. Hewitt (R.A.), Lieut. Evans (R.A.), Lieut. Whitehead (R.A.), Lieut. Duke (R.A.), Lieut. Cuthbertson (R.A.), Lieut. Ridgale (R.A.), Lieut. Page (R.A.), Lieut. Wille (R.A.), Lieut. Smith (R.A.).

handled the ball a lot, but it would have been to more purpose if he had opened up play more by passing back instead of trying to crash through on his own.

Rutherford gave Charter a fair service. Bosanquet was in good form, by his speed alone he was the most dangerous of the Club three's. Bidwell was active, although his attempt to break through were generally blocked by the desperate tackling of the almsmen.

Laville and Van Leeuwen were given little scope by Stewart and Torrey. The same applied to Thomson when he changed places with Laville. Thomson, while playing full back, was safe, but he had little to do.

Tries were scored by Bosanquet (2), and Van Leeuwen (1). Charter converted one try.

just starting their innings and the day had turned very dull with a leaden sky and a poor light. The wicket had been slow and easy while Reccolo batted, though I fancied it was getting faster during the K.C.C. knock.

The Reccolo had a rather characteristic innings—three men making most of the runs, and they totalled 107. Robert Lee turned out again, but only bowled 4

### Referees Meet

## Barracking Nuisance At Soccer

The barracking nuisance was mentioned by the chairman, Mr. R. M. Omar, at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Referees' Association held in the Hongkong Football Association office last night.

Mr. Omar specifically mentioned European spectators in this connection, and said that the matter had been taken up by the Hongkong Football Association.

The following officers-bearers were elected for the current year: Chairman, Mr. D. B. Mitchell; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. J. Silva; Committee, Messrs. W. H. Glover (Navy), M. Miniham (Army), D. B. Mitchell (Civilians).

It was decided to write to the Hongkong Football Association on the following subjects on which resolutions were passed by the meeting: That qualified referees should be used as line-men in second division matches. The Chairman said second division football had improved greatly and he felt very strongly on the point.

That referees' fees should be increased by \$3 all round and should not be on a sliding scale as provided for in the rules; no man should referee in a match in which his own particular unit or club was playing and the Referees' Sub-Committee of the Hongkong Football Association should have at least one qualified referee.

The draft rules as circulated to members were adopted.

It was decided to hold the annual dinner on December 15 at the Hotel Cecil.

### Women's Hockey

## Players Selected To Represent The Mainland

Following a trial at King's Park yesterday, the following women's hockey team was selected, with reserves, to represent the Mainland against the Island on Sunday, December 10, on the Club ground, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

Miss June Hall (St. Andrew's), Goal; Miss G. White (St. Andrew's) and Mrs. Wilmet (C.B.A.) full-backs; Miss M. McCaw (Y.M.C.A.), Miss J. Woolley (C.B.A.) (Capt.), and Miss J. Wong (St. Andrew's), halves; Miss M. Marr (H.K.), Miss B. Harker (Y.M.C.A.), Miss D. McCaw (Y.M.C.A.), Miss H. Reid (St. Andrew's) and Miss M. Shand (C.B. School), forwards.

Reserve: Miss B. Paterson (C.B.A.) full-back; Miss A. Smith (C.B.A.) half-back; Miss F. Wong (St. Andrew's) and Miss B. Longbottom (St. Andrew's) right and left-wingers.

### Rifle Shooting

## CHARITY MEET AT KOWLOON RANGES

A BITTERLY COLD WIND of gale force, blowing down the range from the butts, greeted the H.K.R.A. officials when they arrived on the Kowloon City range at 7.30 a.m. on Sunday, but conditions fortunately improved somewhat later. In spite of the unfavourable weather 95 members took part and several good scores were obtained.

The prizes were given anonymously, so that all the receipts amounting to \$149 went to the British War Organisation Fund. Major General A. E. Grasett, D.S.O., M.C., presented the prizes.

In the first round H.K. Police Reserve beat Dockyard Rifle Club.

To-morrow's shoot will be at 200 yds, 500 yds, and 600 yds. A Bellios Shield match will be fired between the Royal Engineers and the Middlesex Regiment.

### LEADING SCORES

Leading scores on Sunday were:

Aperture	Sights	200	500	Yds.
H/Car				
Lt. C. E. O'way	Ser.	45	43	61
P.M. V. Cooper	Ser.	45	43	61
F/Sgt. F. Tolson	Ser.	45	43	61
D/M. W. Kifford	Ser.	45	43	61
M/S. A. F. Evans	Ser.	45	43	61
C/Sgt. F. Hale	Ser.	45	43	61
L/Cpl. B. G. Bright	Ser.	45	43	61
P/Sgt. A. C. Chan	Ser.	45	43	61
A. J. Le Secler	Ser.	45	43	61
S/Lt. G. J. P. Carey	Ser.	45	43	61
Sgt. G. E. Breeze	Ser.	45	43	61
Capt. H. T. Guncat	Ser.	45	43	61
S/Lt. C. C. Chau	Ser.	45	43	61
Sgt. K. C. Ho	Ser.	45	43	61
Mr. J. A. Gould	Ser.	45	43	61
Insp. A. L. Hopkins	Ser.	45	43	61
L/Cpl. G. H. Morton	Ser.	45	43	61
Mr. W. Frouth	Ser.	45	43	61
Sgt. R. J. Hearn	Ser.	45	43	61

Other Sights	200	500	Yds.
Lt. R. O. T. Leong	45	43	61
Sgt. W. T. Sargent	45	43	61
A/Sgt. T. Baker	45	43	61
Mr. B. Croft	45	43	61
L.S.G. P. P. Singh	45	43	61
C.S.M. F. Maalen	45	43	61
P/Sgt. M. L. P. Singh	45	43	61
L/Sgt. J. D. Remedios	45	43	61
Spr. E. W. Ailo	45	43	61
Cpl. R. L. Singh	45	43	61
Lt. A. Mohamed	45	43	61
L.A.C. J. Berry	45	43	61
A/Sgt. W. T. Sargent	45	43	61
Pto. R. A. Castro	45	43	61
Mr. W. Gillman	45	43	61
P/Sgt. Chanchal Singh	45	43	61
Cpl. G. Perkins	45	43	61
Sgt. S. Maghar Singh	45	43	61
Sgt. R. C. Ho	45	43	61
Sgt. M. F. Rushman	45	43	61
Mr. C. R. Hiett	45	43	61
C. S. Chum	45	43	61
L/Sgt. W. R. Nunn	45	43	61

denotes winner of net upon 1 denotes winner of handicap upon. Winner of (N) or (H) will have his handicap reduced by one point.

Pairs Competition  
F/Sgt. F. Tolson and L. A. C. Berry (R.A.P.); C/Sgt. Hale and Sgt. Baker (R.A.P.); S.M. Cooper and Cpl. Langford (Mex).

Amateur Clubs  
Team Match  
H. Engineers, 503.  
Open Sights—Hongkong Police, 409.  
Clay Bird Shooting  
Capt. W. Newton (Mex); Mr. Evans.

## SPORT ADVTS

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE TWELFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 2nd December, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Each must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 o'clock NOON. Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21020).

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN, Secretary.  
Hongkong, 27th November, 1939.

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CAPTAIN F. BUNJE explains the scheme of manoeuvres to the N.C.O.'s of the Field Ambulance at Lowu Camp.



PTE. R. LEIGH, of No. 1 Machine Gun Company, points out the result of M.G. fire.



SOME OF the members of the Field Ambulance in camp at Lowu last week.



CSM R.A. ("RON") EDWARDS gives the order for a burst of M.G. fire. Pto. J. P. Whitham takes cover.



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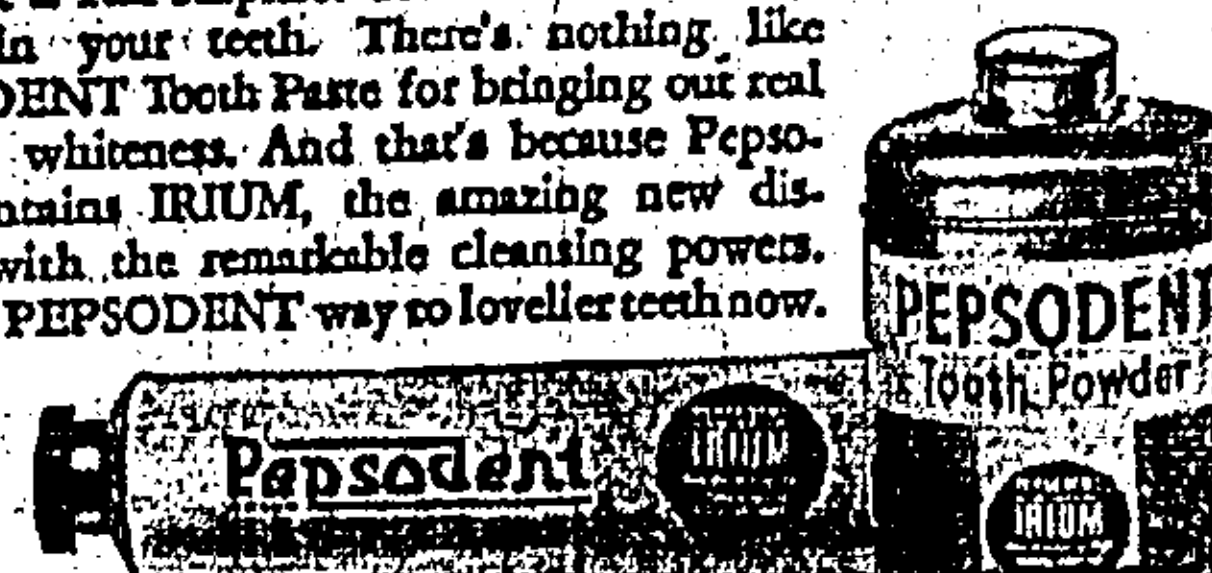
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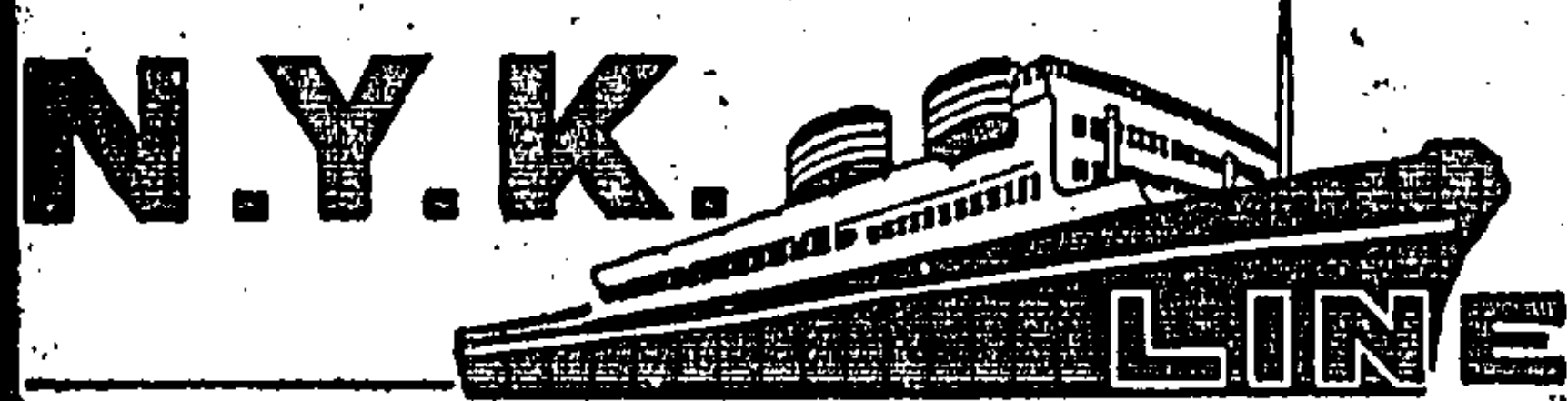
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soups or gravies, use paper  
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The skins of baked potatoes are  
prevented from becoming hard and  
crusty if coated with oil or butter  
before potatoes are placed in the  
oven.

To remove meat juice stains  
from table linen, either cold  
water alone may be used or soap  
with cold water.

When frying doughnuts add a few  
cloves to the kettle of fat and the  
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delicious flavour.

Add a teaspoon of soda to the  
water for cleaning wood-work  
and soap will not be needed.



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of cleaning silver can be cut out with  
the aid of sour milk. Silver spoons  
and the like boiled in it, and then  
rinsed in hot water, not only polish  
more easily but the resultant polish  
is more lasting, since it will not  
tarnish readily.

Sour milk, one part, and turpentine,  
two parts, is also one of the best  
renovating agents for a stained bath.  
Mix the ingredients in a saucer and  
apply with a piece of old linen, then  
rubbing until all marks vanish, then  
finish off.

When footwear leaks for no ap-  
parent reason it is because the pores  
of the material are too open and  
need closing up. To do this smear  
over a little sour milk, then rub it  
well into the leather with a dry  
cloth. The pores and developing those  
interstices of the leather will  
eventually close and so render the  
boots or shoes watertight.

Sour milk is also one of the best  
renovating agents for patent leather  
shoes, leather belts, pram hoods,  
leather leggings, motor coats, and  
caps of leather and leather up-  
holstery in furniture or motor car  
interiors.

Apply to the material with a soft  
cloth, rubbing the sour milk well  
into the leather. Then finish off with  
a very soft duster. In the case of  
patent leather shoes apply the sour  
milk to the leather and leave to dry  
overnight. Next morning polish in  
the usual way. It will check and  
cracking and heal up minor cracks  
so that they are not noticed.

Bathroom tiles and tiled hearth  
and passage tiles can be polished and  
cleaned at one operation with the aid  
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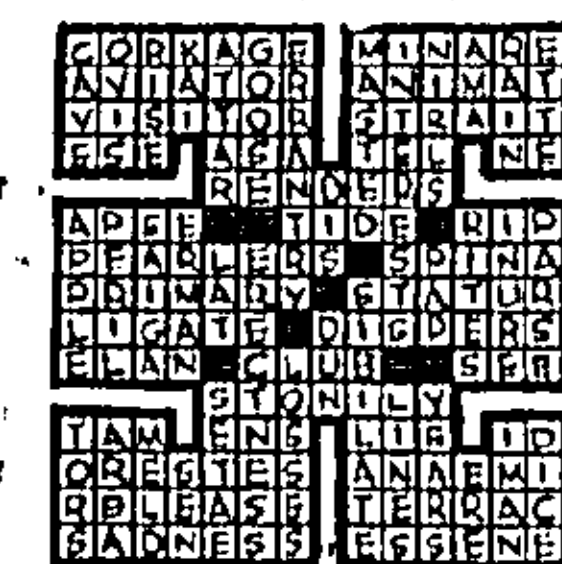
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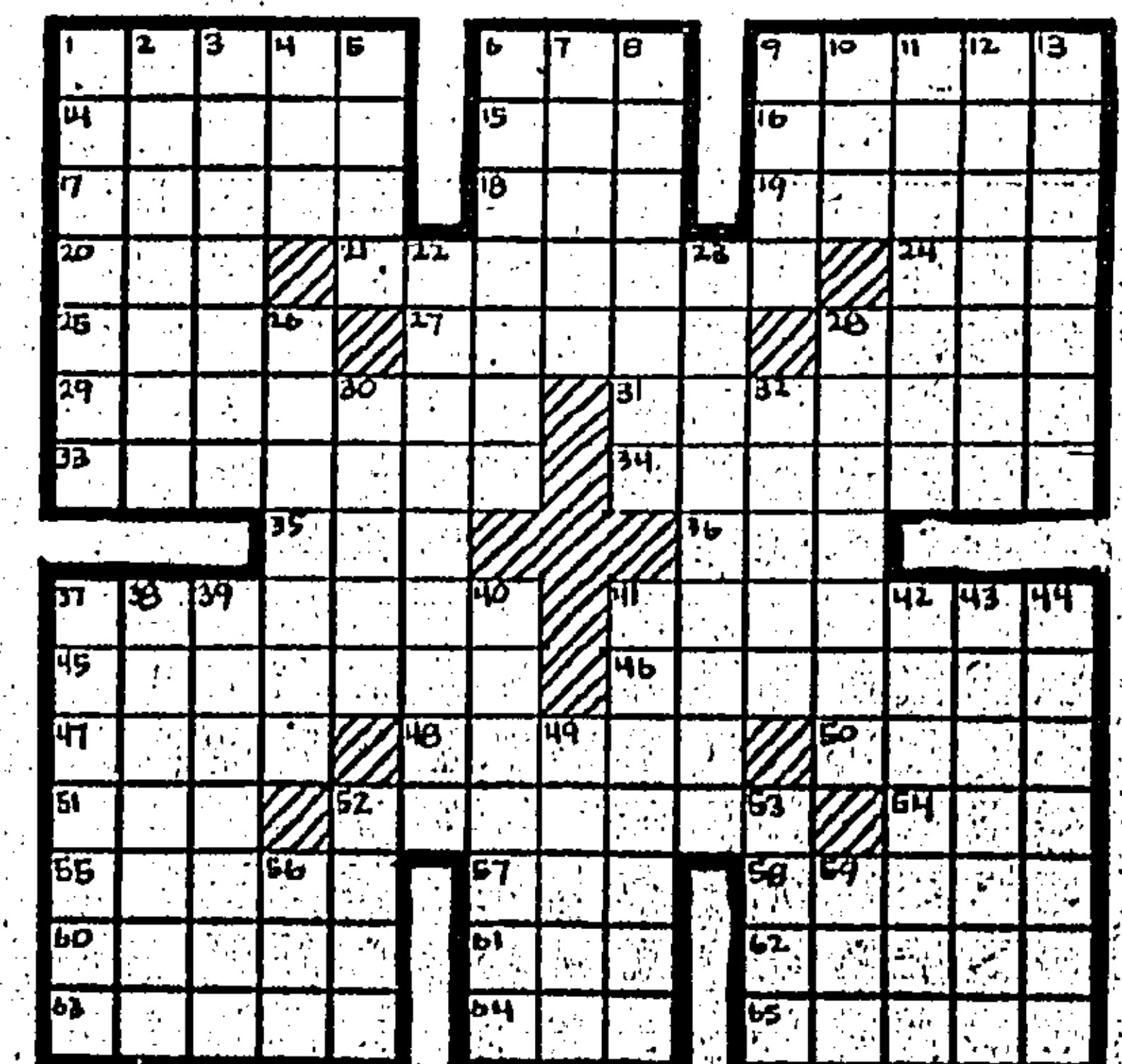
ANSWER TO  
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

DOWN

- 1—Name for varnishes
- 2—Female deer
- 3—Bird with diamond
- 4—Rabbit
- 5—Nicer in France
- 6—Pointed missile
- 7—Mixed oiled
- 8—Pertaining to former
- 9—British foreign
- 10—Allitude (abbr.)
- 11—Opponent of
- 12—Medieval Crusader
- 13—Province in Morocco
- 14—Climbing plant
- 15—Tear
- 16—Pipe like chicken
- 17—Those who administer
- 18—British unit (obscure)
- 19—Pertaining to Turks
- 20—Ornamental screen
- 21—Behind altar
- 22—Members of dis-
- 23—Type of cup
- 24—Wife of the
- 25—Members of enemy
- 26—Young birds of prey
- 27—High in station
- 28—Having power to
- 29—Impute
- 30—Short gaiter worn
- 31—over shoe
- 32—Social class
- 33—Wise person
- 34—English drinking-cup



- 1—Corps
- 2—Of peary color
- 3—Associate in business
- 4—Unit of play
- 5—Not as much
- 6—Go out of way
- 7—Town in New York
- 8—Person qualified to
- 9—void
- 10—Exaggeration of beauty
- 11—agent
- 12—Small cushion
- 13—Take as premise
- 14—Ring-shaped
- 15—Crustacean
- 16—Overlapping ridge
- 17—Angels value to
- 18—Paucity of concubines
- 19—draw out
- 20—Possessing great
- 21—Physically enormous
- 22—Based on experience
- 23—River joining Lake
- 24—Krie and Lake
- 25—Crustacean
- 26—Those who repair
- 27—Wooden strips
- 28—Slightly raised
- 29—Bird's foot
- 30—Medicinal plant
- 31—Crustacean
- 32—Biblical word
- 33—Based on experience
- 34—Diminutive suffix
- 35—Man's nickname
- 36—Of the war





# NANCY



## GAS MASKS FOR BABIES



A mother leaving a distributing centre with one of the gas-bag respirators for babies, that are now being issued.

## NEW EURASIA AIR SERVICE

### Chungking - Kunming Route Inauguration

KUNMING, Nov. 28 (Central).—The Eurasia Aviation Corporation's new Chungking-Kunming-Kunming air service will be formally inaugurated on December 1, test flights on the line having proved satisfactory.

The fare from Chungking to Kweiyang will be \$210 and from Kweiyang to Kunming \$270.

The flight will be only one way, from Chungking to Kunming via Wueiyang.

**Japan-Thai Air Pact**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Nov. 28 (Donel).—The air transport agreement which was signed between Japan and Thailand at Bangkok on Monday consists of 17 articles.

They provide for the opening of a regular air service between Bangkok and Bangkok, the appointment of the air route, and the use of designated aerodromes.

The agreement will remain in force for two years.

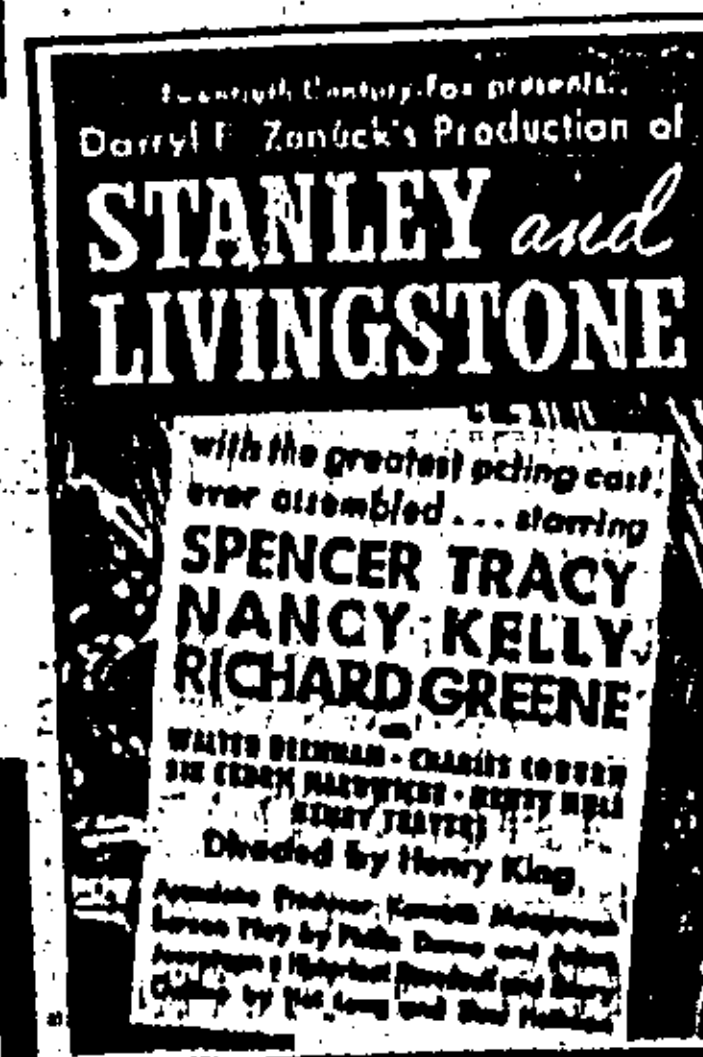
## U.S. ENVOY TO REPORT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—The United States Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Kennedy, today visited Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax preparatory to his departure for the United States by Clipper from Lisbon next Sunday.

Mr. Kennedy is returning to Washington to report to President Roosevelt on the latest war situation.

## KING'S COMING SOON



# Gunners Fight in Clouds at Range of Only Few Yards R.A.F. PILOTS DRIVE NAZI RAIDERS FROM THE COAST

DRAMATIC stories of machine-gun duels in which British and German planes, flying at only 200 feet, passed within a few yards of each other, were told in a recent Air Ministry statement.

The fights took place off the east coasts of England and Scotland and off the German coasts.

All the British planes—attached to the coastal command—returned safely. But several of the Germans were hit.

"The fights were mostly brief," said the statement, "because in every case the enemy withdrew."

### "TWO GOOD BURSTS GOT HOME"

PILOT No. 1 told how he sighted a Heinkel 115 flying at right angles to the R.A.F. machine's course.

The German headed south, but was overtaken at a height of 200 feet.

The Nazi rear gunner opened fire with tracer bullets. He passed under the British plane. The British gunner replied—and reported that "Two good bursts" appeared to get home.

Then the Nazi pulled up into the clouds, but he was traced and received another burst of fire at close range.

In the R.A.F. pilot's words: "The enemy climbed still higher in the clouds, and as he did so we cut in front and under him and let go one more burst at very short range. 'He dived as we passed in front of him, and only a few feet separated us.'"

The German plane was not seen again and the British machine resumed its patrol.

THIS is Pilot No. 2's story of his fight—also with a Heinkel and also at 200ft. because of the heavy clouds.

"The enemy was diving steeply when I attacked from the port rear quarter."

"He climbed for the clouds. I throttled back and attacked from astern. I got in two or three bursts at him with my port gun and he vanished in the clouds."

"I throttled back again and found him 50ft. above me and about 25 yards ahead. I got some rear burst at him this time and as he turned away I again brought my port gun on him."

"Then, following behind and slightly underneath, I saw him go into another bank of cloud."

"He appeared to wobble and side-slip badly before he was finally lost."

### Rain Saved The Raider

R. A. F. Pilot No. 3 was disappointed.

He followed a Nazi plane for ten minutes—and just when he thought he had him a fierce rainstorm blotted out the raider—and he escaped.

THERE were exchanges of machine-gun fire in another meeting. This time, Pilot No. 4, using the clouds as cover, surprised the enemy as he circled over a cargo ship. "He turned as if to meet the attack," said the pilot, "but climbed into the clouds and made off."

### German Fires—And Misses

A NAZI flying-boat was seen at 200 feet by Pilot No. 5, then patrolling at about 800 feet.

The British machine dived with guns blazing. The Nazi replied without doing any damage. For five minutes they fought—then the German took advantage of dense cloud to escape.

EARLIER German planes tried to fly over the Shetlands but were beaten off by brisk anti-aircraft fire. Two more attempts to break Scotland's defences further south were reported, but in each case the raiders turned tail as soon as they sighted the British fighters.

And The Navy Win, Too

SEVERAL Nazi bombers attacked British warships in the southern half of the North Sea.

An Admiralty communique revealed that two Polish destroyers were with the British ships and joined in the battle.

"No damage was done to any ship," says the communique. "Enemy casualties are not known."

PENNY, a three-day-old Shetland pony, introduced to a llama when it had its first day's outing in the Children's Corner of the London Zoo. Penny is only 20 inches high.



## War Words (2) Blighty

Like many another soldier's word "Blighty" had its origin in India.

It is a contracted form of the Hindustani "Bilayati" which means "foreign" and, especially, "European." The Anglo-Indian name for soda-water is "Bilayati pan!" There is a similar Arabic word, "Bilayati," "foreign."

Thus, "Blighty" came to mean Britain and home.

The word was current among the British troops in France in 1915, and was commonly applied to any non-fatal wound sufficiently serious to take a man back to England. Then there was the "Blighty bag," the small bag issued at casualty clearing stations to hold a wounded man's personal belongings.

"Carry Me Back to Dear Old Blighty" was a popular war-time song.

## India Retains Man-Power

### Only Few Europeans Allowed To Leave

DELHI, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—Since the beginning of the war, European residents in India between the ages of 16 and 50 have been prevented from leaving the country save for very important reasons.

This is in order to guard against any great loss of man-power.

The restriction has now been relaxed and special permits will be granted to men over 35 years of age. Permits will be granted to those for the United Kingdom, the Dominions and the Colonies, but permits for other countries, particularly for men under 35, will continue to be granted very sparingly.

## OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Island of Lost Men" (Queen's and Alhambra). Chinese jungle banditry. Film donated by J. Carroll Nairn's arresting characterization as "King of the River." Supporting cast includes Anna May Wong, Broderick Crawford and Eric Dore.

"Secret Service of the Air" (Oriental). Film based on actual events. A full-blooded melodrama. Ronald Reagan is the attractive hero assisted by John Littel, James Stephenson and Lisa Rhodes.

"Dark Victory" (King's). A popular picture which, though presented as a love story, actually deals with the manner in which a girl waits for an inevitable death. Bette Davis invests this difficult character with vivid life, sympathy and understanding. Works well with George Brent, Humphrey Bogart and Geraldine Fitzgerald in supporting roles.

## Reds Ready To March

(Continued from Page 1)

press, is publishing the "Pravda" editorial.

### German Demarches

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—Germany is reported to have made demarches to the Soviet and Finnish Governments, recommending an early settlement of the questions at issue between them.

It is considered here that the Finnish reply to the Soviet note will probably request the Soviet to agree to an impartial investigation of the alleged shelling incident. Despite the seriousness of the latest development, the Finns do not believe that peace is immediately threatened.

### Not An Ultimatum

It is emphasised that the Soviet note was not in the form of an ultimatum and did not contain a time limit.

The Finnish Command insists that no shot was fired from the Finnish side of the frontier.

It is thought that probably Russian guns were responsible but that the Russians believed, in good faith, that the Finns were responsible. Unsuspecting were responsible. by reports that a number of persons have been arrested following the discovery of an extensive spy organisation.

According to the "Aften Bladet" correspondent, at least one Finnish officer is involved.

### Finland's Reply

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 28 (Reuters).—The Finnish reply to the Soviet note was delivered at Moscow last night.

It states that a careful investigation has shown that no shot was fired from the Finnish side of the frontier, but seven cannon shots were heard from the Soviet side.

The Finnish Government is prepared to appoint a joint committee to investigate the Soviet charges and is willing to discuss the possibility of withdrawing its troops 12 miles from the frontier, provided that the Soviet is prepared to adopt similar measures. The Finnish Government notes with satisfaction that the Soviet does not wish to exaggerate the importance of the incident, and concludes that Finland is pleased to have been able to remove misunderstanding on the day following the receipt of the Soviet note.

### Soviet Frangy Against Finns

MOSCOW, Nov. 27 (UP).—A resolution adopted at a mass meeting of students and workers demands stern action against the "Finnish militarists," and the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the frontier.

"If they do not withdraw, we will throw them back," the resolution declared.

### Ready To Strike

A further resolution adopted at Leningrad is typical of Soviet sentiment.

"We are ready to strike three decisive blows for each provocative blow by the Finnish war clique. The clowns who are managing the fate of the Finnish people must be reminded of the sad lot of the ill-starred former rulers of Poland," it said.

Scenes reminiscent of the days before the occupation of Poland occurred throughout Moscow today. Misses of people lined up at the newsstands and listened to announcements over loudspeakers.

Following a demonstration at the Artillery Headquarters the troops adopted a resolution saying: "We are ready at any moment to defend our beloved Fatherland and to show the heads of the provocateurs with 'Voroshilov-telegrams' from powerful cannon."

The workers of the Hammer and Sickle plant—the largest metallurgical works in Moscow—also passed a resolution pledging increased production of defence materials. "Evidently the warmongers have lost their heads and forgotten that they are dealing with the Soviet Union," they said.

### Soviet Press Frangy

MOSCOW, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—The Russian press is being worked up into a frenzy over the alleged killing of four Soviet soldiers by Finnish practice artillery fire.

Despite a flat Finnish denial that any such incident has occurred, the Soviet press has begun a new campaign of threats.

The Soviet press goes into a hysterical denunciation of the Finnish Government.

Russian workers' groups are being organised into protest meetings. One meeting is passing a resolution demanding the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the important fortified area of Karelia, which was the subject of the original Soviet demands on Finland.

Other meetings re-echo the old Nazi cry of their patience being exhausted.

### Finland's Compromise Offer

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—Finland has agreed to withdraw her troops 25 kilometres from the Soviet frontier if Soviet troops are withdrawn to a similar distance, according to a Helsinki dispatch.

### Frontier Quiet

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—M. Erikko, the Finnish Foreign Minister, today affirmed that the Finnish frontier is and has been quiet and that the Finns are doing nothing to disturb this state of affairs.

The Finnish Government is to meet to-morrow to discuss the Soviet demands in connection with the alleged incident, and is expected to forward a formal reply immediately.

## Practically All Quiet On W.F.

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—A communique issued today states that there was local infantry and artillery engagement during the morning. Otherwise there was nothing to report.

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## Desperate Plan To Get Foreign Exchange

# NAZIS TO SELL OLD MASTERS FOR CASH

## Missing R. A. F. Man's Note To Bride

"I am O.K. Don't worry about me."  
THIS message has been sent on a postcard from a German prison camp by a British airman to his London bride, whom he married eight weeks ago.

Three weeks ago the bride was notified that her husband, Observer-Sergeant Fripp, had been officially posted as missing. The airplane in which he had been making a reconnaissance flight had been brought down in Germany.

After the official news came a German radio report that a number of Sergeant Fripp's comrades had been taken prisoner.

Mrs. Gamble, of Streatham-hill, S.W., a sister-in-law of Mrs. Fripp, said: "When Sergeant Fripp went to France his wife went to Dorset to stay with his parents."

"She was heartbroken when she received the message that he was missing. Now he has sent the address of the camp where he is interned, and we are all writing to him."

"In the German report of the flight in which his airplane was brought down, a German airman paid tribute to the courage and skill of the British pilot."

## FIRST WAR CHRISTMAS

HOW can merry Christmas be ensured for the thousands of children who have been evacuated?

Officials in Government departments and voluntary service organizations, billeting officers and the people in whose houses the children are living are thinking it over.

The most popular suggestion, is that of the communal entertainment.

"This might take the form of an entertainment in the schoolroom or the village hall," was what one who knows the feeling of many areas. Said "Here a Father Christmas and a Christmas tree will come into the scene."

"Then it is not unlikely that some of the boys and girls from the towns will be invited to the parties which people will be giving for their own children."

"All this depends, of course, on the good feeling existing in the areas—and of this spirit there is plenty, as reports show."

Arrangement for parents to visit the children are dependent on transport possibilities. The railway companies are working out their plans for this.

Germany is preparing to sell old masters cheap, in an effort to obtain foreign currency. The sale is to be effected with the proviso that the paintings may be bought back at a 20 per cent. increase "after the German victory."

This scheme, says a despatch from the German frontier, was worked out at a meeting of curators of great German museums held recently in Berlin. The old masters will be offered "at very reasonable prices" to neutral countries.

Such an operation would not be difficult to conceal from the German people, since the canvases have already been placed in bomb-proof shelters.

Among the works to be sold, it is stated are the Raphael "Madonna" from Dresden and Mantegna's "Virgin and Child" which hung in the Kaiser Friedrich Museum in Berlin.

Other messages from the frontier state that a great mass of documents has lately been removed from the Reich Chancellery in Berlin, and were driven off to an unknown destination.

Coal Ration

The Lord Mayor of Berlin announces that during this month householders and small businesses will be permitted one-seventh of the amount of coal and other fuel that they purchased from their coal merchants in the same period last year.

What They Read

Some idea of the kind of news set before the German reader to the exclusion of all other is provided by an analysis of a single copy of the Berlin "B.Z. am Mittag." Headlines in the paper included the following:

"Paris defends itself against idiotic London manoeuvres."

"Ridiculous story about the battleship Gneisenau."

"Is England threatened by infiltration?"

"Blockade a Boomerang for the British Empire."

"Complaints of the French Population never cease."

"Democracy completely disorganised."

"Honourable Frenchmen Flung into Gaol."

"U.S.A. Capitalists Wish to make a fine Deal out of the War."

Poets For Poland

A touch of grim humour has been added by Dr. Goebbels to the German denunciations in Western Poland.

A deputation of lyric poets and writers, members of the "Reich Chamber of Literature," has been sent on a tour of the conquered provinces by the Propaganda Minister. They were, it is stated, "remarkably warmly welcomed" on arriving in Poznan.

Harbour Congestion

The sweeping of the German merchant fleet from the seas, except the Baltic, has resulted in a violent congestion in the ports of Hamburg and Bremen.

At Bremen huge stacks of goods are lying in sheds because the Nazis are unable to forward them to the foreign importers who ordered them.

A similar situation prevails in Hamburg, where long-distance shipping under the German flag is at a complete standstill.

Jute Shortage

Germans have been forbidden to use jute bags to protect their houses against air raids, according to messages from the frontier.

Only paper bags are authorised for sand bagging purposes, supplies for jute being insufficient.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

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## DECISIVE RUSSIAN ACTION IS FEARED

MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (UP).—Decisive Soviet action is expected shortly in view of the Finnish reply which is regarded as tantamount to a challenge.

The Soviet Government is now believed to have committed itself too far in arousing public indignation against the Finns to accept the Finnish version of the frontier incident.

**War Of Nerves**  
LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The Soviet Baltic Fleet is taking part in the Moscow "war of nerves" against Finland, according to reports from Stockholm.

The reports state that in addition to a naval "demonstration" in the Gulf of Finland, the Soviet fleet has been darkened by squadron manoeuvres.

**Finland Calm**  
HELSINGFORS, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The Finnish Government and people are taking a calm view of the situation in Finland.

Authoritative circles here state that they are ready and willing for any investigation to be made into the alleged trouble on the Karelian frontier.

Finland is confident that this investigation will show that what ever happened, Finland played no part in it.

**Soviet's Propaganda**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (Domei).—Following the bitter polemics against Premier Cajander, published by "Pravda" on Sunday, Soviet authorities on Monday broadcast over the radio a direct appeal to the Finnish people urging them to oust their "buffoon" Premier.

The broadcast charges that Premier Cajander is leading Finland along the same disastrous path to ruin as pursued by the leaders of the old Poland.

**Wave Of Fury And Indignation**

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—A wave of fury and indignation has swept Leningrad, says the Moscow radio, which adds that spontaneous meetings are being held to protest against what is described as the "impertinent provocation of the Finnish warmongers."

The radio quoted resolutions reported to have been adopted at meetings of the Red garrisons on the Finnish borders, declaring, inter alia, that "if the warmongers forces us to go to war we shall destroy the enemy quickly on his own territory."

**Roads Ready To March**

New York, Nov. 28 (Domei).—The "United Press" reports from Leningrad that the Soviet Union has completed preparations for starting armed action immediately Finland fails to comply with the Soviet demand for withdrawing troops from the frontier.

Informed quarters understand that the Finnish Government has decided to reject the Soviet demand for withdrawal of her troops.

**Categorical Denial**

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Finnish Government has replied to the Soviet note categorically denying the charges that Finnish artillery has fired across Soviet territory.

**Troops Urged To Remain Patient**

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 27 (Domei).—In view of the deterioration in Soviet-Finnish relations the Finnish Government has ordered its troops in the frontier region not to respond to any provocations from the Soviet side.

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## ITALIAN MOVE SOON?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BOSTON, Nov. 27 (UP).—Passengers arriving from Mediterranean ports aboard the a.s. Calibur to-day states that Americans in Italy are being warned to leave the country as soon as possible because "Italy expects to be involved in the European war by next spring."

WHERE  
SOVIET  
IS AT  
WORK

As Finland Says  
'No' to Demands



## SWEDES PROTEST TO THE NAZIS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 28 (Domei).—The Swedish Foreign Minister has filed a strong protest with Germany, through the German Charge d'Affaires here, with regard to the violation of Sweden's territorial waters by Germany in laying mines near the Swedish coast.

**Nazis Mine Warfare**

## NEED NOT ALARM BRITAIN

Combatting Methods Being Developed

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the alarmist views on the mine-laying campaign are discredited here because:

1.—Magnetic mines are nothing new and were used in the last war. Methods of dealing with them exist and are being developed with rapidity by the Admiralty.

2.—The western ports of Great Britain and France are entirely unaffected by the laying of mines.

**No Ports Closed**

3.—Even eastern ports are affected only to minor degree. For example, no eastern port has been closed to shipping at any time since indiscriminate mine-laying started. During the period when shipping losses were at their height, a shipping convoy of considerable size steamed through the mined area and arrived at its destination without loss or damage.

4.—The Danish Board of Trade has proclaimed the existence of a "fairway" for the use of Scandinavian shipping from Kaagerak to the British coast, thus indicating an intention to maintain exports to Great Britain as heretofore.

**May Prove Boomerang**

5.—The new methods of warfare are used in violation of international law.

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## NEW EURASIA AIR SERVICE

Chungking - Kunming Route Inauguration

KUNMING, Nov. 28 (Central).—The Eurasia Aviation Corporation's new Chungking-Kunming air service will be formally inaugurated on December 1, test flights on the line having proved satisfactory.

The fare from Chungking to Kweiyang will be \$210 and from Kweiyang to Kunming \$270.

The flight will be only one way, from Chungking to Kunming via Kweiyang.

**Japan-Thai Air Pact**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Nov. 28 (Domei).—The air transport agreement which was signed between Japan and Thailand at Bangkok on Monday consists of 17 articles.

They provide for the opening of a regular air service between Taihoku and Bangkok, the appointment of the air route, and the use of designated aerodromes.

The agreement will remain in force for two years.

## NAZI REPLY TO BLUE BOOK

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, November 27 (UP).—The German Government has published a 2,000-word official reply to the recent British Blue Book on the origin of the present war.

The German version charges that Britain is playing a "two-faced game" and describes the Blue Book as "an unsuccessful attempt to escape responsibility—that is to say, a feeble attempt at misrepresentation of the truth."

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The Finnish reply to the Soviet note was delivered at Moscow last night.

It states that a careful investigation has shown that no shot was fired from the Finnish side of the frontier, but seven cannon shots were heard from the Soviet side.

The Finnish Government is prepared to appoint a joint committee to investigate the Soviet charges and is willing to discuss the possibility of withdrawing its troops 12 miles from the frontier, provided that the Soviet is prepared to adopt similar measures.

The Finnish Government notes with satisfaction that the Soviet does not wish to exaggerate the importance of the incident, and concludes that Finland is pleased to have been able to remove misunderstanding on the day following the receipt of the Soviet note.

## "GERMANISING" THE WORLD

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—"The world will be reorganised by the Reich" is the slogan launched by the German Army newspaper, "Wacht in Westen," according to a "Havas" message from Bern.

Polcs living in the provinces which are now incorporated with the Reich will have to leave, said Herr Forster, in a speech at Bydgoszcz (Bromberg).

In quoting this, the Paris Wireless said that Herr Forster also added: "it is our task to Germanise the district."

ALLIED BLOCKADE

## AMERICANS ACQUIESCE

Important Decision By United States

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Administration officials have intimated that, despite the pressure of the isolationists, they do not contemplate a formal protest to Britain regarding the Orders-in-Council providing for the seizure of German exports.

Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, explained at a Press Conference that the United States, at the outbreak of war, made a "blanket reservation" covering all possible infringements of any neutral rights to which the country was entitled.

Mr. Hull declined to state, before the matter is fully studied, whether the new British policy will come under the reservation.

American imports from Germany have fallen so low that competent trade circles are of the opinion that a complete stoppage will make little difference.

**German-American Protest**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (UP).—Commerce on the protest of the German-American Chamber of Commerce of New York against the PLEASE Turn To Page 10.

## Wang Refuses To Play Ball

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Nov. 28 (UP).—Wang Ching-wei's organ, the "Central China Daily News" confirms that the delay in the inauguration of the new regime is due to Wang's insistence that a formal peace treaty with Japan must be signed, rather than an unwritten secret agreement such as the Japanese are apparently seeking.

"Wang Ching-wei is negotiating for China, and there must be a formal treaty of which the terms can be made known to the Chinese people," the organ says.

## Bayonets Used in Attack

FOR THE FIRST TIME since the outbreak of hostilities, bayonets were used in No Man's Land on the Western Front yesterday.

The first infantry assault on the Western Front was carried out yesterday by the Germans, a "Reuter" message from Paris states.

The Germans launched a dawn attack across No Man's Land in the region east of the Moselle, near the Luxembourg frontier.

The attack was launched with considerable force.

The French trenches withstood the attack, however, and the waves of attacking Germans were repulsed with machine-gun and rifle fire.

At one time, however, the German and French troops were fighting hand-to-hand.

Bayonets and hand grenades came into play before the Germans retired to their own trenches without making any gains.

## LATEST

### LONDON BAN REMOVED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Nov. 28 (Domei).—The N.Y.K. Headquarters in Tokyo has received a report that the British Government has cancelled the ban on the entering of neutral ships into the port of London. The ban was announced following the recent sinking of many ships near the English coast.

It is understood, however, that the N.Y.K. will for the time being suspend its visits to London pending settlement of the Turkish Maru case. Its ships will stop at Liverpool instead.

Jury returned unanimous verdict of guilty against Tang Chu for murder of Leung Ki. Sentence of death passed.

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### MRS. ROOSEVELT MAY TESTIFY

Subversive Element In America

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (UP).—Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt, the wife of the President, offered to appear before the Dies Committee and testify regarding the alleged Communist control of the American Youth Congress.

Congressman Dies is ill at home but said Mrs. Roosevelt would "probably" be given an opportunity to testify together with Mr. Alfred M. Lillenthal, the vice-chairman of the Provisional Committee for American Youth who told Mr. Dies that he had "conclusive proof" that the Youth Congress was a Communist group.

### NO NOBEL PEACE PRIZE FOR 1939

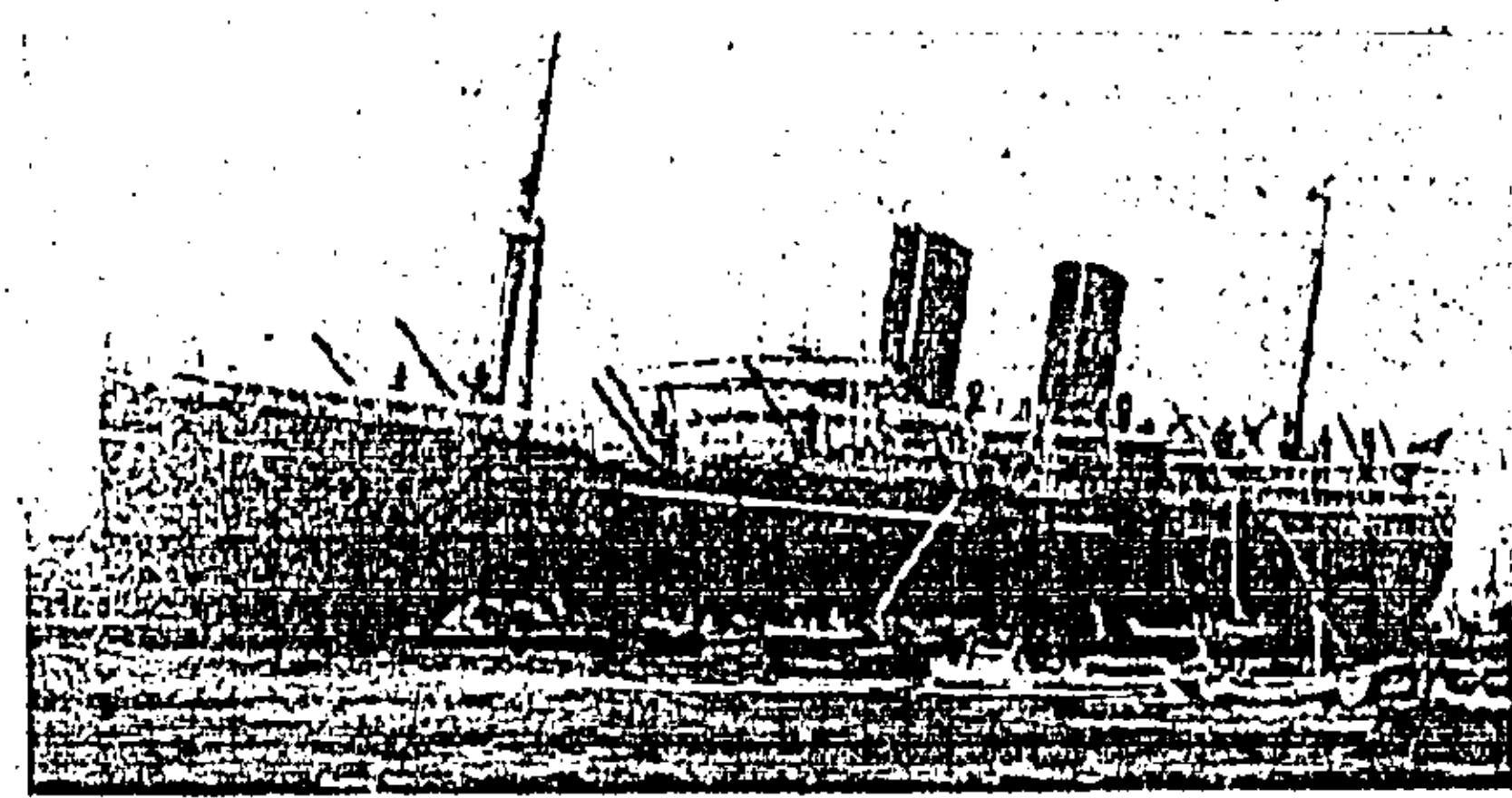
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OSLO, November 27 (UP).—It has been officially announced that no Nobel Peace Prize will be awarded this year.

"Domei" states that President Roosevelt would have been a likely candidate this year.

### Practically All Quiet On W.F.

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—A communique issued to-day states that there was local infantry and artillery engagement during the morning. Otherwise there was nothing to report.



THE P. & O. LINER RAWALPINDI

## RAWALPINDI EPIC NAVAL BATTLE

MEN OF THE ROYAL NAVY AND MERCHANT MARINE UPHELD THE FINEST TRADITIONS OF THEIR HOMELAND ON SUNDAY, WHEN, DESPITE OVERWHELMING ODDS, THEY FOUGHT TO THE LAST IN H.M.S. RAWALPINDI—FORMERLY THE WELL-KNOWN P. & O. LINER—AGAINST THE NAZI POCKET BATTLESHIP DEUTSCHLAND AND ANOTHER NAZI WARSHIP.

The Rawalpindi carried 6-inch guns against the Deutschland's 11-inch. But she refused to surrender. She was battered to a wreck in less than an hour and went down with her flag flying.

Over 250 gallant men—most of them former Merchant Marine members of the crew of the Rawalpindi—went down with the ship.

Eighteen are known saved. It is possible that an additional thirty were picked up by the Deutschland.

Full Story On Page Three

## Japan Seeking Release Of Contraband Goods

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Nov. 28 (Domei).—The Japanese Government is continuing negotiations with British and French authorities regarding the disposal of Japanese goods destined for Germany and neutral countries adjoining Germany, which have been seized by British and French authorities since the outbreak of the European war.

These goods are still undergoing investigations at British and French contraband control offices.

Holding that confiscation without compensation of most of these goods is illegal under existing international law, the Japanese Government has made representations to the British and French Governments, asking for their release or compensation.

Japanese marine insurance interests are planning to petition to the Government for invoking intervention in the seizure.

The value of the insurance for the goods which have been shipped by Japanese ships is estimated at 6,000,000 yen while there is a still greater amount of insurance undertaken by them for the goods which have been taken by foreign ships.

## DUTCH LINER NOT TO SAIL

BERLIN, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The Rotterdam-Lloyd liner Sibajak, which was due to leave Rotterdam on November 25 for the Netherlands Indies, is not leaving at present owing to the increased danger at sea, according to an Amsterdam message.

## BLOCKADE BY FRANCE

"Illegal, Inhuman" German Warfare

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Minister of Blockade, M. Georges Pernot, in a statement to-day, said that the ban on German exports was necessitated by the "illegal, inhuman" German warfare.

The Allied Governments, however, were anxious to safeguard the rights of neutrals, hence the embargo would be enforced only after a certain time.

Neutrals may appeal against seizure of goods to the Control Committee and Prize Courts.

Neutrals will find compensation for losses through the embargo of German goods by finding new export markets and through the elimination of German goods.

Since the Allies' industry is occupied by the war, neutrals are free to trade.

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7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05 Variety Programme with George Van Dusen; Alice Faye; Quentin Maclean; The Vagabond Lover and Orchestra Muscotte.

Vocal—It's Party Time Again (Van Dusen); George Van Dusen with Orchestra; The Vagabond Lover (from the film); There's A Lull in My Life (from "Wake Up and Live"); Alice Faye with Cy Feuer Orchestra; Cinema Organ—Cinema Memories; Intro: These Songs from: Orphans of the Storm; Four Men of the Apocalypse; War, Down East; Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall; La Rikita; Orphans of the Storm; Robin Hood; Charlie Chaplin's Theme: The Gold Rush; Way Down East; The Covered Wagon; What Price Glory; The Singing Fool; Quentin Maclean; The Vagabond Lover (from the film); There's A Lull in My Life (from "Wake Up and Live"); As Long As Our Hearts Are Young (Koster and Hill); The Vagabond Lover (Tenor) with Orchestra; Orchestral—Children of Spring—Waltz (Waldteufel); Orchestral Muscotte.

8.30 Studio—Two Piano Recital by Muriel Gubbay and Harry Ore.

1. Fugue in G Minor (Bach); 2. Gavotte in G Major (Mozart); 3. Caprice Brillante, Op. 22 (Mendelssohn).

9.00 A Short Orchestral Programme.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30—London Relay—"Cards on the Table".

9.45 Gershwin—An American in Paris.

New Light Symphony Orchestra with George Gershwin.

10.03 Songs by Stuart Robertson (Bass-Baritone).

Aboard The Windjammer—Medley of Sea Songs Intro: A-Rowing, Shenandoah; What shall we do with the Drunken Sailor; Hullo! Baloo Baloo; The Drummer and the Cook; Tom's gone to Hilo; Boney was a warrior; with Male Chorus and Accordion.

10.12 Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.

10.22 Dance Programme by Juan Llorens and His Orchestra and Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

11.00 London Relay—"In England Now".

11.15 Close Down.

## Hull Lauds Speech

**Finds Agreement With Mr. Chamberlain**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Cordell Hull, the American Secretary of State, in a formal statement to-day said that he was gratified, but not surprised at Mr. Neville Chamberlain's speech, in which he said that increased trade is the prerequisite for a lasting peace in Europe.

### Endorses Statement

Mr. Hull hoped, when the time came, to give these economic ideas broad and effective application.

Mr. Hull specifically endorsed Mr. Chamberlain's statement that only by an increased interchange of goods and services can the standard of living be improved.

Mr. Hull indicated strongly for the first time that he would insist on re-enactment of the Trade Agreements Act on its expiry in 1940.

This programme has been carried out in the conviction that it is essential to bring back the balance of American agriculture to industry.

Mr. Brandel, a visitor to the Colony, has reported to the Public that between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. on November 20, Japanese stole \$500 from his room, No. 207, Hongkong Hotel.

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The Annual Lawn Bowls Match between members of St. George's and St. Andrew's Societies will be held on 9th December at 2.30 p.m. at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

All members desirous of playing in this Match are requested to communicate by 1st December with Mr. W. Macfarlane, Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., Causeway Bay.

### ALLEGED MURDER

## DEFENCE OPENS

**Accused Takes The Witness Stand**

Opening the defence in the case in which Tung Chu, a 24-year-old youth stands charged with the murder of Leung Ki, 21, in Chinese Street, on September 28, Mr. Percy Chen said the defence would be that there was a fight between the parties and that the accused on the spur of the moment, finding himself attacked by two men, took up the chopper in self-defence.

Tung Chu, giving evidence, said he was a refugee from Canton where he had been working in a weaving factory making singlets. He owed a boy named Chan Kam On a gambling debt.

On the day of the quarrel Leung Ki denied the money. He spoke as if he wanted to fight. Tung Chu walked away and Leung Ki followed and asked whether or not he was going to pay the debt. Tung Chu replied: "Wait for a few days. I shall pay when I have the money."

Then Leung Ki struck him and also shouted to Chan Kam-on to strike. He retreated a few paces, and noticing a chopper, picked it up. Chan Kam-on then ran away while Leung Ki continued to attack.

Witness made a circular movement with the chopper and the chopper hit Leung Ki who fell down. He left Leung Ki and after walking away a few paces threw the chopper down.

### Women's Evidence

A woman named See To-si, of 13, Victoria Street, said she had known Tung Chu for about two years as a tenant in her flat. He was always friendly with everybody and was never known to have any quarrel.

Leung Mook, 35, said she had known Tung Chu since April, 1938. She knew him as a good man who rented a bed space in her flat. She also knew Leung Ki as a man of violent temper. He had a mark on his forehead, and according to a conversation which she overheard between Leung Ki and another man, Leung Ki had got the scar as the result of a fight.

In his final address to the jury Mr. Percy Chen stressed that Leung Ki was the aggressor and that Leung Ki himself had admitted in his dying deposition that he had struck the first blow.

### Judge's Criticisms

Mr. J. B. Prentiss said he would like to say a few words in connection with the criticisms made by the Judge on the previous day regarding the police method of detaining persons in police stations without any charge being preferred against them.

His Lordship said Mr. Prentiss would have an opportunity to make his remarks at the proper moment and no doubt they would be given the same amount of publicity.

### NAZI CAMPAIGN A FAILURE

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—A French military expert comments that the Nazis were at one time confident of the success of their U-boat and air warfare.

The U-boat and air campaigns have failed to come up to expectations, and this explains the Nazi decision to intensify the mine warfare.

But the British found a necessary solution in the last war and "will do so again."

### R.A.F. FORM NEW SQUADRON

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The new fighter squadron of the R.A.F. to which the Nizam of Hyderabad contributed £100,000, is now being formed.

Its pilots will be drawn from Britain, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa.

# Kwangsi Forces In Action Against Japanese



## Rapid Japanese Advance Admitted BUT CHINESE NOT PERTURBED

CHINESE military circles are not perturbed by the rapid advance of the Japanese in the south, according to a "Central News" message from Kweiin this morning.

It is pointed out that the Japanese are occupying only a corridor about 100 kilometres in length stretching from the sea-coast to the Watkiang Valley, and are being hemmed in by the Sap Men Tai Shan and the Ku Low Shan mountain ranges on each side, with the Watkiang River at one end.

All resources in these regions have been removed and the highways destroyed.

### Imminent Operations

Chinese authorities predict that major operations are imminent on the Watkiang River valley.

All regular and militia units in Kwangsi have been mobilised to fight the invaders, reported General Huang Hsu-chu, Chairman of the Kwangsi Provincial Government, at the weekly Sun Yat-sen memorial service last Monday.

In the opinion of General Huang, the Japanese invasion of Kwangsi is aimed at cutting China's supply route in South-west and undermining the Kwangsi peoples' morale.

### Pingnan River Crossed

Another Kweiin report states that several hundred Japanese at Pingnan, east of Yanchow, have crossed the Pingnan River to drive eastward. They are meeting with stiff Chinese resistance on the east bank.

In the Kongmoon-Sunwul sector, the Chinese are launching an offensive. A column has recovered Mauchung and is advancing on Kongmoon, while another has reached the south-eastern outskirts of Sunwul.

Some 1,600 Japanese reinforcements have arrived in Kongmoon from Canton.

### Kwangtung Front

On the Kwangtung front, the Japanese are said to have suffered 300 casualties during their recent invasion of Peking, southwest of Foshan.

Several Japanese armoured cars were damaged.

Though supported by more than ten armoured cars and five planes, the Japanese failed to dislodge the Chinese after a day-long battle.

### The Northern Front

On the northern front, it is claimed by the Chinese that the Japanese drive from Lishih and Lulin towards Chihkiow, on the Yellow River bank in West Shansi, has ended in disastrous defeat.

With the arrival of reinforcements, the Chinese launched a vigorous counter-offensive and routed the Japanese.

"Central News" reports that no trace of Japanese is now found on the Chihkiow sector following the Chinese "mopping up" operations.

Anyi and Yuncheng in South Shansi have been bustling with activities during the past few days as Japanese units at Wanchung, Yungsho, Ishih and Lintsin poured into the two places.

Observers believe that the Japanese are preparing for another southward drive in the not-distant future.

### Japanese Annihilated

From Pingliang comes a report that Chinese troops engaged 300 Japanese at Tainzhanpu, south of Tsungyang in South Hupeh, at dawn yesterday.

No fewer than 300 Japanese are said to have been killed after a three-hour engagement.

The Japanese then retired to Tsungyang and Palyikiao.

Chinese sources also state that the hull on the Changtungkwan sector in South Honan has been broken.

The Japanese, reinforced by 3,000 men, commenced a drive towards Chenchialien last Saturday.

Serious fighting is still in progress.

### Japanese Reports

A "Dutch" report from Peking says that Japanese troops are now engaged in an encircling offensive on

Two pictures showing famed Kwangsi troops in action against the Japanese invasion. Top, a company of Kwangsi fighters prepare to make a sortie. On right, two of the hardbitten, hard fighting soldiers indulge in some reconnaissance work.



## STOLE \$100 TO BUY AN INSURANCE POLICY

To ensure wealth in his old age, Wong Wan-nan, 20, unemployed, stole \$200 from Mr. S. J. Switland of Hankow Road, and spent \$100.10 on an insurance policy. This was revealed when Wong was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. Himsforth at Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Det.-Sgt. Davies said Wong's sister was Mr. Switland's aunt. Wong frequently visited his sister and four weeks ago, a \$100 was found missing from Mr. Switland's desk.

Wong was warned to keep away from the house. On November 16, a further \$100 was found to be missing and Wong was suspected. He admitted the theft to Mr. Switland on

November 28.

Wong said he spent \$100.10 in an endowment policy.

OSAKA, Nov. 28 (Domei).—The main wooden building of the Osaka Railway Station was completely burnt out at 4.15 p.m. yesterday. The fire was under control at 5.40 p.m.

## Press On Nazi War Methods

### Counter-Measures Expected Soon

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The "Daily Express" says that every war produces some new method and we are now going through one such patch.

In the last war, U-boats and gas made trouble for a time, but counter-measures were soon in operation.

Britain's seaports are still open, and her ships are still coming in.

Commenting on the reaction to the British ban on German exports, the "Daily Mail" asks whether we should sit supinely in our island waiting for starvation.

The only alternative to stopping the Nazi exports would be to retaliate by laying mines indiscriminately as the Nazis have done, but "this we will never do."

Oslo's Representations

OSLO, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Government will make representations to London in connection with the latest measures by the Allies in pursuance of their economic warfare.

## BELGO-GERMAN TRADE TALKS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BRUSSELS, Nov. 27 (UP).—It is announced that the recent Belgian-German economic negotiations with Berlin will be resumed in Brussels next week.



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## RED CHILD'S GUIDE

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ones. The Baltic countries were just as bad. Would you believe that they held up our talks with England by refusing to accept Russian guarantees of their independence?

Goodness, why ever not?

I hardly like to tell you, Ivan; it's all so sordid. They pretended we would take advantage of them by using their ports for the glorious Red Navy, and that we might even send in troops.

I say! Is that why we're going to the Baltic for a holiday?

Yes, dear. I'm glad to say they've taken it all back now. What are you staring at?

Papa Stalin's new yachting cap. It fits him remarkably well.

Funny you should say that, Ivan. (Whispering.) It used to belong to the Czar!

## O'Connell Foley

### FRONT LINE LETTER

(Continued from Page 4.)

was over written in a war-time letter was the repeated "and don't worry about me; I've got a cushy job miles behind the line"—by men who knew nothing cushier than in and out of the front line. But "it kept the missus from worrying."

And another noble fragment: "I wonder if to-day is as fine a day with you as with us. Sunshine, a few clouds, a perfect day for golf."

Captain—was propped up to write that letter to the girl he had hoped to marry. He was dying, and knew it.

## W. T. K.

### Shanghai Bound Train Derailed

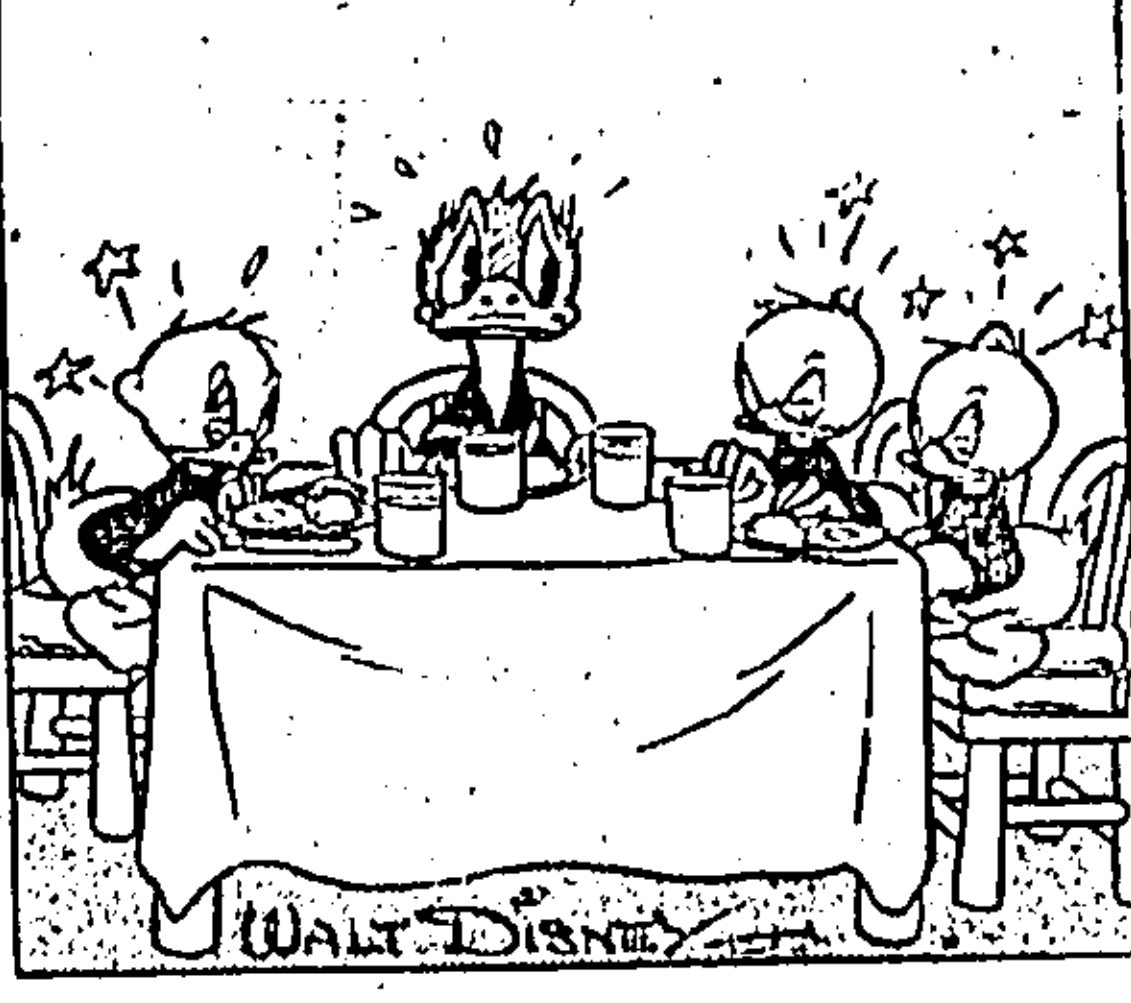
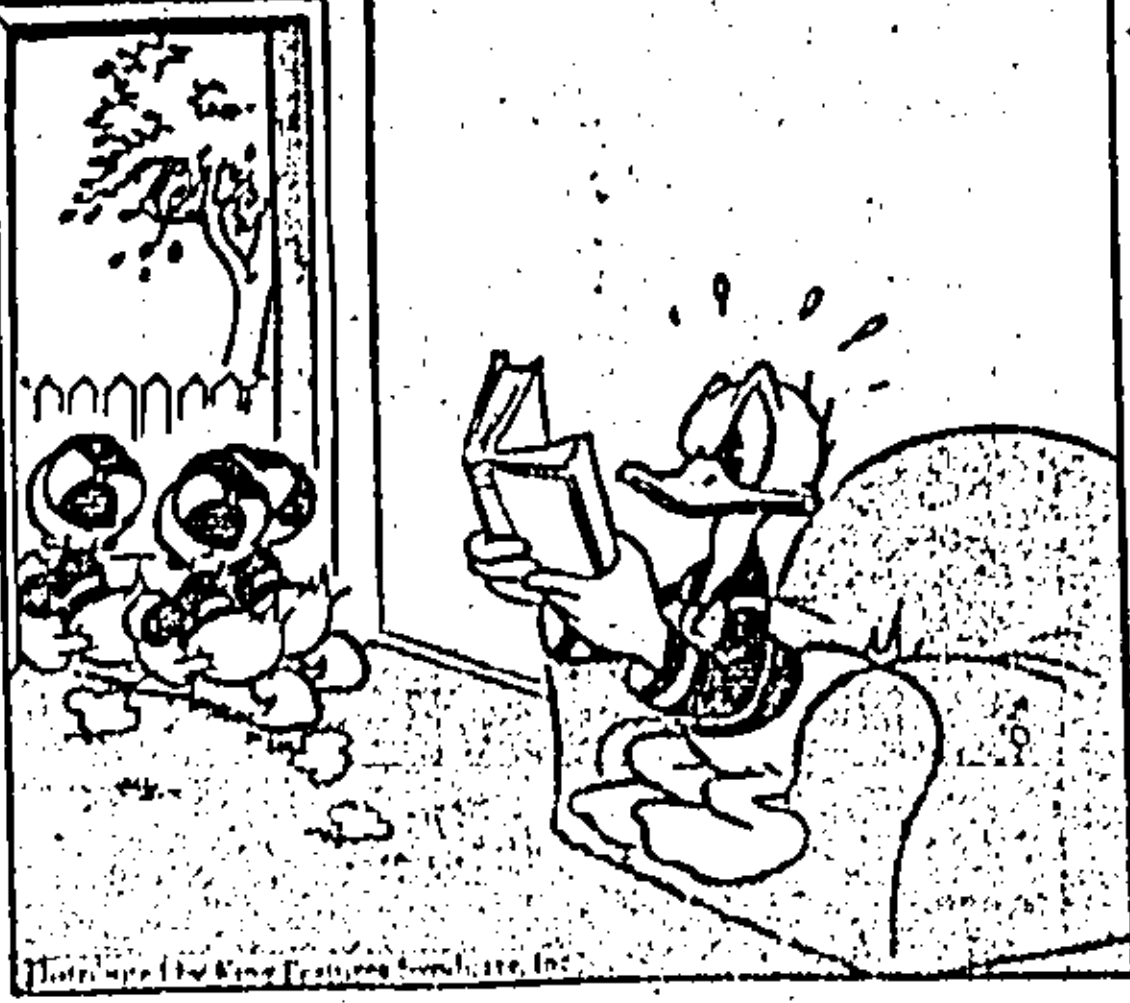
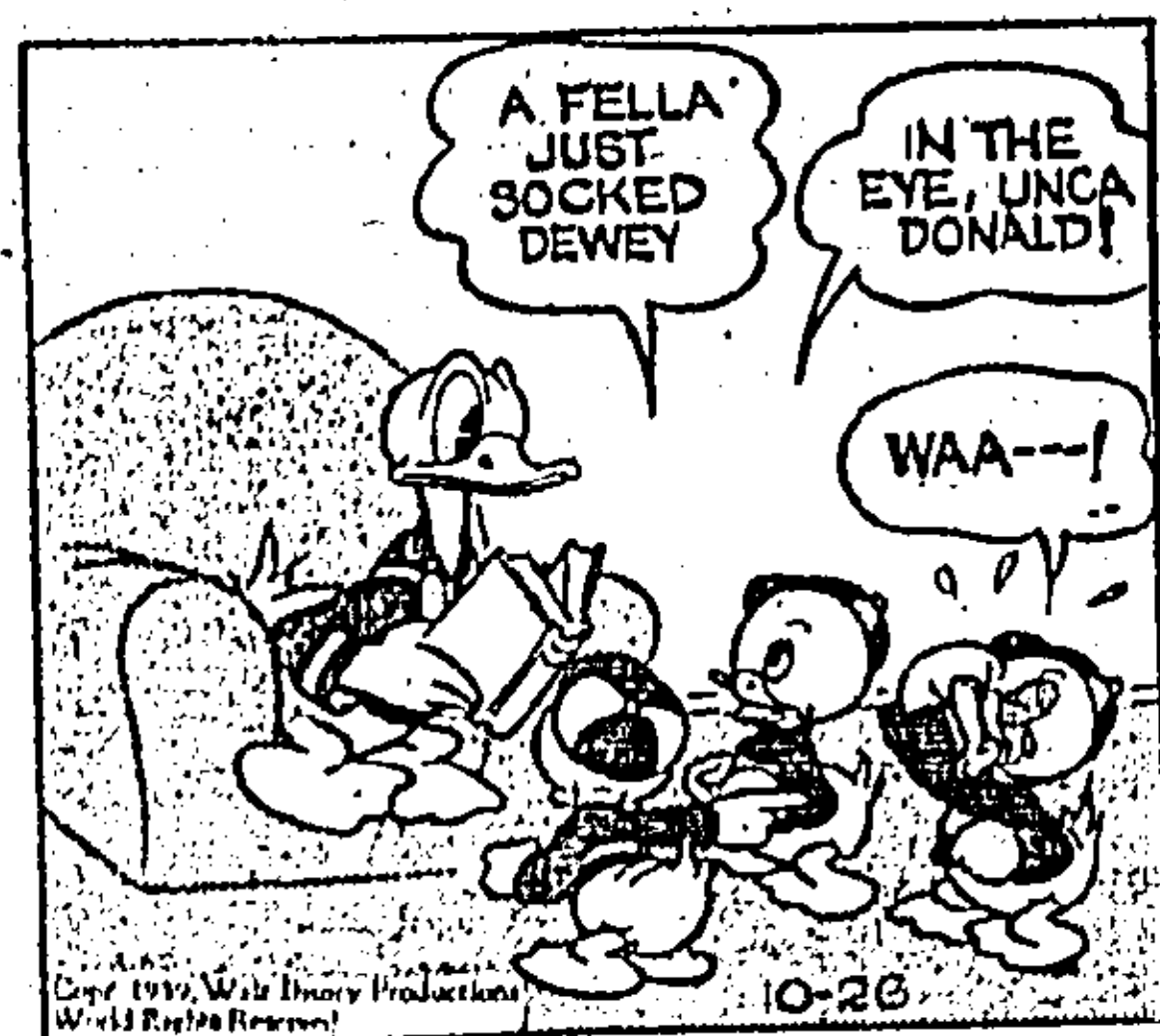
CHUNGKING, Nov. 28 (Central).—A Shanghai-bound train on the Shanghai-Hankow Railway was derailed between Kienchiao and Leping, northeast of Hangchow, last Saturday owing to sabotage work on the rails by Chinese mobile units.

Between 40 and 50 persons were killed and wounded.



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## Converted Merchantman Refused To Lower Colours, Fought To End With Nazi Pocket Battleship Deutschland P. & O. LINER RAWALPINDI SUNK IN GALLANT FIGHT AGAINST HEAVY ODDS

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—An Admiralty statement reveals that the German "pocket" battleship Deutschland attacked the Rawalpindi, which was forming part of the northern patrol enforcing the contraband control of German trade.

At 3.30 p.m. the Rawalpindi, when cruising to the south-east of Iceland, sighted an enemy ship.

**"It's The Deutschland!"**

Captain Kennedy, having examined the vessel through his glasses, said: "It's the Deutschland all right."

The crew were immediately ordered to the action stations.

The course was altered to bring the enemy on the starboard quarter.

Smoke-floats were cast into the water to enable the Rawalpindi to escape.

However, a second enemy ship was soon seen to star-

### Second Enemy Ship

board.

The Deutschland, approaching, signalled the Rawalpindi to stop, and when she continued on her course, fired a shot across her bows.

As this warning was rejected, the first salvo was fired by the Deutschland's 11-inch guns at 3.45 p.m. at a range of 10,000 yards.

The Rawalpindi replied with all her four star-board six-inch guns.

The third salvo from the Deutschland extinguished all lights and broke the electric winches of the ammunition supply.

### Bridge Shot Away

The fourth salvo shot away the whole bridge and wireless room.

Both the German ships were now closing rapidly and by this time the second ship had gone round the Rawalpindi's stern and was firing from the port side.

The Rawalpindi maintained the fight until every gun was put out of action, and the whole ship was ablaze except the fore-castle and the poop.

After about 30 or 40 minutes of this unequal combat, the enemy ceased firing and three boats not shattered by shell-fire—one of these became waterlogged—were lowered.

It is believed that two of these boats, containing over 30 men, were picked up by one of the German ships.

### Chitral Rescues Survivors

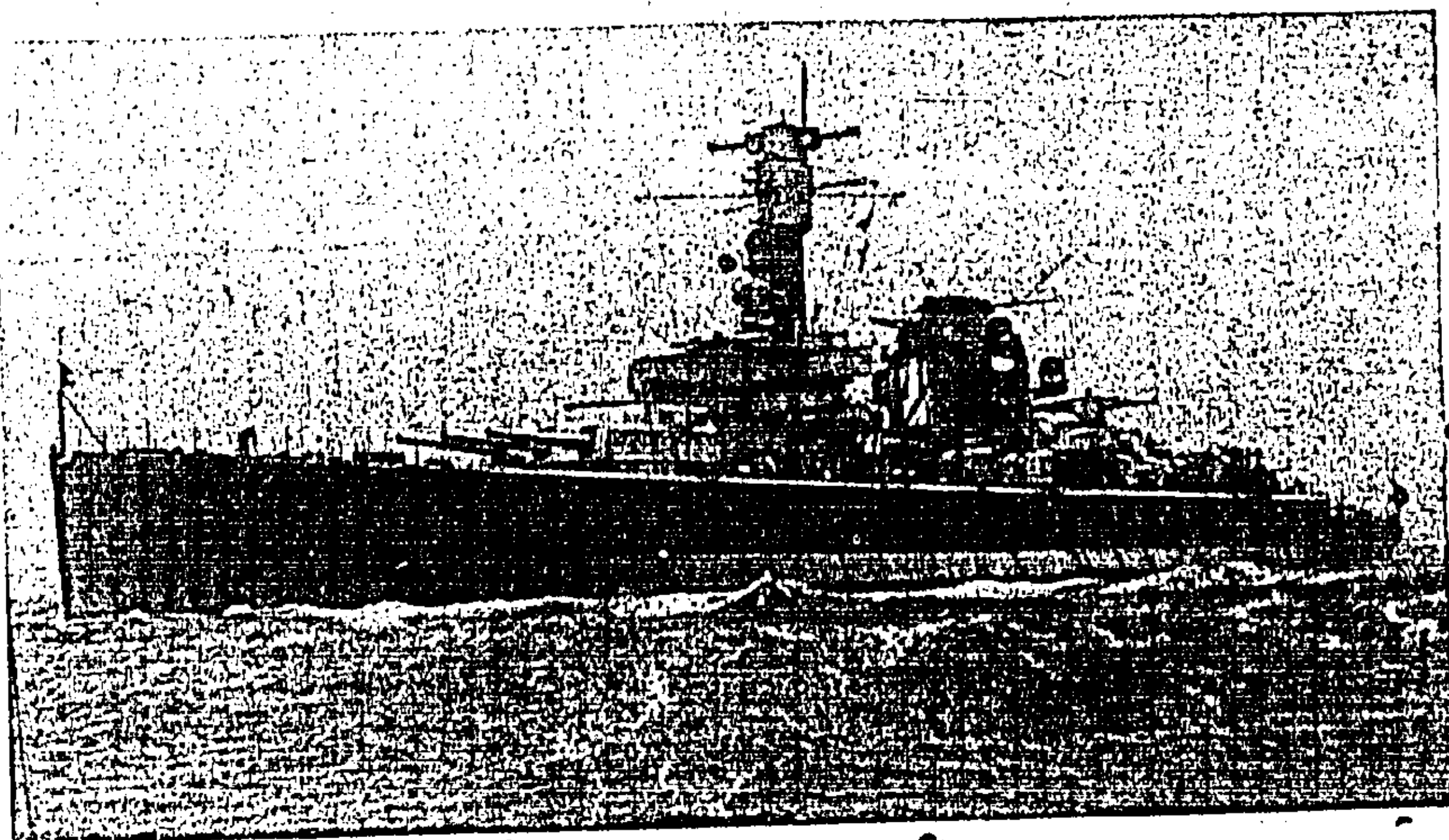
Eleven survivors brought in by the P. and O. liner Chitral, swam to the water-logged life-boat and would probably have been picked up by the Deutschland but for the fact that about 6.15 p.m., the approach of a British cruiser caused the enemy immediately to withdraw.

The Rawalpindi continued to burn amidships until 8 p.m. when she turned turtle to starboard and foundered with all remaining hands.

### Nazi Cruisers Escape

Meanwhile the British cruiser attempted to shadow the German ships, but in the heavy rainstorm and darkness of the night, they escaped from the scene.

It is added that the Rawalpindi made a most gallant fight against overwhelming odds, and went down with her colours flying.



THE DEUTSCHLAND

### RAWALPINDI EPIC.—Continued

## LINER WENT DOWN WITH FLAG FLYING

It is officially stated that the Rawalpindi was manned by merchant seamen, and men of the Naval Reserve and Naval Volunteer Reserves.

### 250 Gallant Men Perished

LONDON, Nov. 28. (UP).—The Admiralty announcement states that over 250 officers and men aboard the Rawalpindi have apparently perished.

### Australia To Spend £50,000,000 On War

## AMAZING EFFORT BY DOMINIONS

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The determination of Australia and Canada to give maximum co-operation to the British war effort was emphasised by the Australian Air Minister and the Canadian Finance Minister, broadcasting from Ottawa on Friday.

The Australian expenditure in the first year of the war will be £50,000,000, nearly four times the expenditure in the first year of the last war.

Almost double the number of men are training.

#### 20,000 Air Pilots

Twenty thousand air pilots are being completely trained in Australia, in addition to the thousands of Australian air fighters to be trained in Canada.

Canadian expenditure in the first year of the war is estimated at £63,000,000.

Orders already placed since the beginning of the war include £25,000,000 in supplies and defence projects in Canada, £1,000,000 supplies from Britain and £2,000,000 worth of aeroplanes from the United States.

#### £6,000,000 A Day

Home £6,000,000 per day is now being spent on the war.

Though greater than the daily expenditure in the later years of the last war, this sum represents a materially fraction of national income.

Mr. Colin Clark, the Government's statistician of Queensland, a well-known authority on national income, estimates that Great Britain devoted 60 per cent. of the currently pro-

### KUHN CAN'T GET AWAY WITH IT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (UPI).—Judge Wallace has denied a series of preliminary motions filed in connection with the grand larceny trial of Fritz Kuhn, the Nazi blind leader.

It is announced that five counts of grand larceny will be submitted to the jury.

If Kuhn is convicted he can be sentenced to a maximum of 20 years.

In his summations the Judge accused defence counsel of "trying to goad the Court in order to bring about a mistrial."

### Royal Family At Theatre Rousing Ovation From Audience

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—The King, in the uniform of an Admiral of the Fleet, the Queen, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester and the Duke and Duchess of Kent went to a London theatre last night for the first time since the outbreak of war.

They entered the Royal Box in the middle of the first scene of the revue "Black Velvet," and were immediately recognised by the audience, comprising many officers in khaki, who all stood clapping and cheering. The tremendous ovation lasted two and a half minutes.

It was a happy informal occasion. Their Majesties joined heartily in the laughter which greeted every number.

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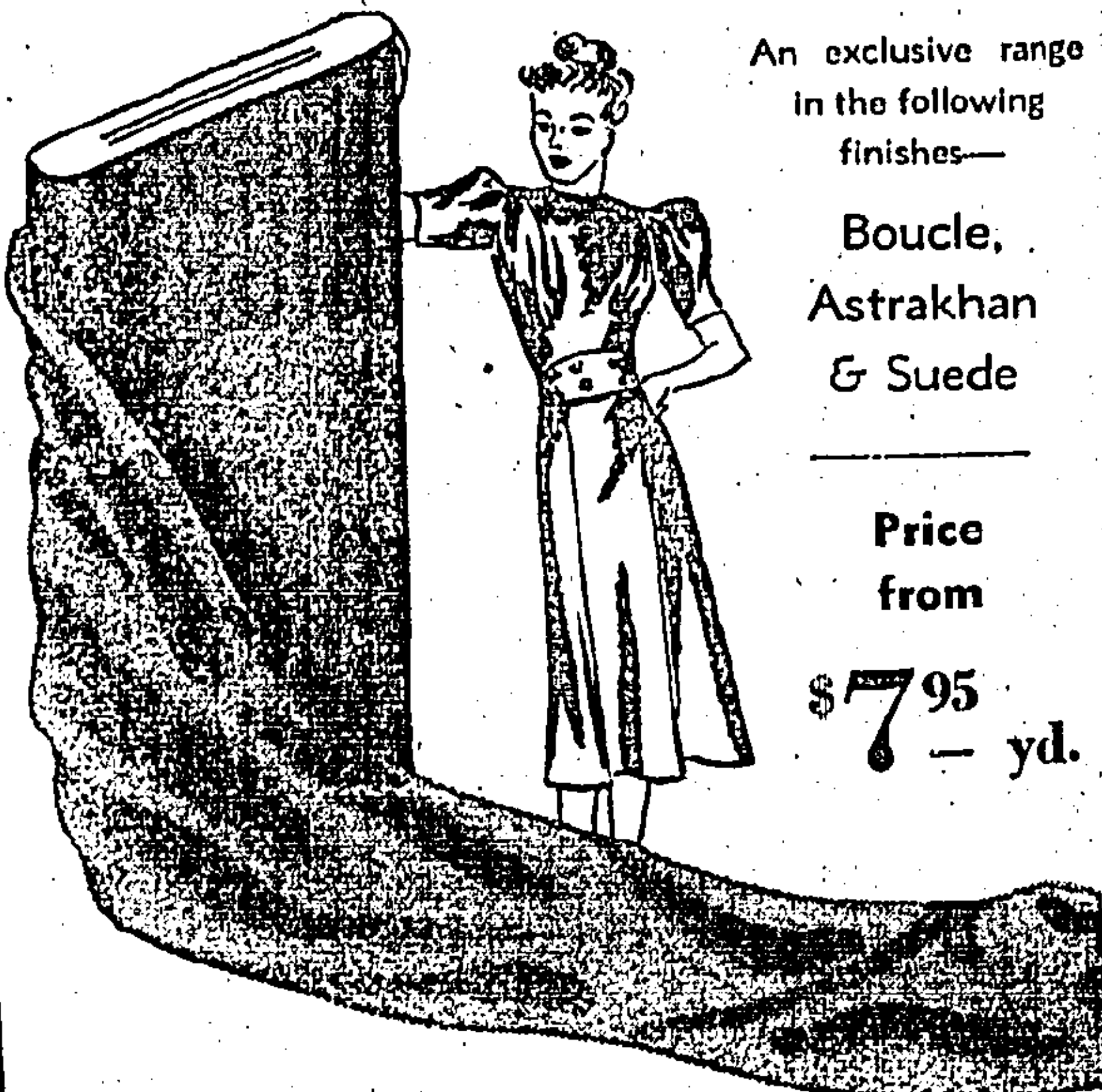
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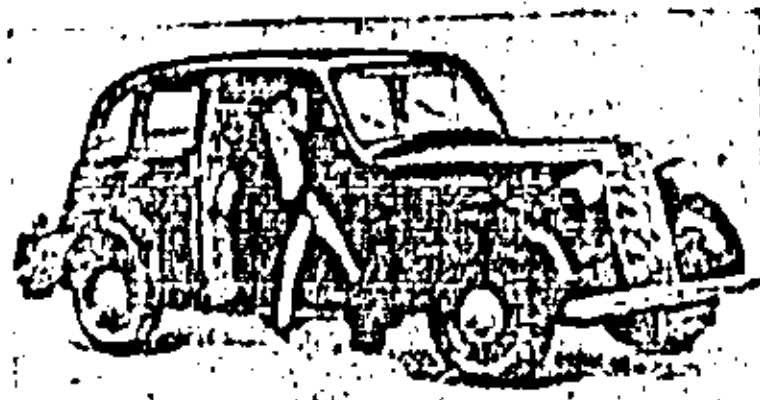
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### Bad News, Good Propaganda

"The people of this country" are resolute enough to hear bad news," Here Prime Minister Chamberlain gives a key to much in the war news—and in the war. The British can take their bad news straight. There have been no soft words in London's reporting of war losses; sometimes, indeed, it has almost seemed that officialdom intentionally sharpened bad news with blunt statement. But Mr. Chamberlain knows his people, and also that honesty is the best propaganda.

Referring to German claims of damaging or sinking the Hood, the Repulse, and the Ark Royal, he says such reports "may serve for a time to raise their spirits but in the end their falsity will be demonstrated and the consequent disappointment will be only the more depressing." He might have quoted a certain high authority on German and English propaganda in the World War.

Thus the English soldier could not even for a moment have the impression that his country had taught him the wrong facts, something which was unfortunately the case to such an extent with the German soldier that he finally rejected everything that came from this side as "swindle."

Adolf Hitler wrote those words in "Mein Kampf," and in this war he has tried to avoid repeating World War blunders. But there are indications that Berlin is being more honest with other peoples than with the Germans themselves. For some of the material allowed to come out could not be circulated in Germany. Even before this war started many Germans would have rejected with Herr Hitler's own strong words the "news" his Propaganda Ministry furnished.

Berlin may have counteracted some of this distrust by reporting certain German losses, but it has been far less blunt about bad news than London. Moreover the German Government has so "protected" its people from news, even from neutral countries that listening to foreign radio reports is a capital offence. Indeed, it appears that the whole structure of the Hitler regime is so dependent on saving the German people from the impact of uncensored news that it is bound to repeat the mistakes denounced in "Mein Kampf." And when unpleasant facts finally break through how devastating must be their effect!

# Stalin Signed a Scrap of Paper

BY ANNA GINSBEURG

FINLAND—a modest country of some four million cultured, industrious and democratically-minded people, finds herself in the headlines of world news to-day due to the sudden challenge to her independence.

That this challenge should come from Russia, Finland's sovereign in the past and her friendly neighbour since the Revolution, is a matter of import in more than one respect, as it signifies a change in Russia's treatment of "weak nations" with its inevitable consequences upon world politics at large.

The relationship between the two countries is determined by the Dorpat Treaty, which gave Finland independence, and the Non-Aggression Pact of 1932, under which Russia agrees to respect the Russo-Finnish border and settle the difficulties that may arise in an amicable way.

THE present Russian demands, supported by the threat to use force, are for strategic naval bases in the Gulf of Finland, with a view of strengthening Leningrad's security, and a mutual assistance pact along the lines of those negotiated with other Baltic states.

In exchange Russia is prepared to cede a part of Carelia, a vast, but strategically valueless territory, with considerable Finnish population.

Although not expressly so stated, the whole tone of Soviet proposals bears evidence of an uncompromising stand, which meets with the less irreconcilable attitude of the Finnish Government.

Apparently, Finland has decided to defend her integrity and independence by all possible means and, knowing the character of the Finns, there is little doubt that she will pursue this policy to the end.

Unless Russia modifies her demands, a conflict will arise, where both parties may resolve to take to arms.

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THE Russian action, which is officially explained as "the necessity to secure reliable defence in order to have a free hand in international affairs, continue the policy of neutrality and cease the war," is in fact motivated by two main reasons.

The first of them is the reversal of Soviet's foreign policy toward the minorities and small states following the conclusion of the Russo-German pact, and the second one—the long-lived enmity between Russia and her former vassal, to whom she gave independence in 1917, and which has since steadily moved to the Right, developing into a progressive and tolerant democracy.

Viewing the recent political developments in Europe one can but sadly state that the problem of co-existence of strong and weak nations is becoming ever so sharp.

The rivalry for subordination of those who are not strong enough to resist now involves champions of opposite political creeds, and the sport-like game for domination that we witness to-day is reminiscent of the struggle for colonial possessions in the last century.

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FINLAND has a long tradition of struggle for independence. For six centuries she was united with Sweden, then taken by Russia in 1808 and incorporated in the Russian Em-

### The "Telegraph" Picked This Out

Look now on that Adventurer who hath paid  
His vows to Fortune; who, in cruel slight  
Of virtuous hope, of liberty, and right,  
Hath followed whosoever a way was made  
By the blind Goddess—ruthless, undimmed;  
And so hath gained at length a prosperous  
height.

Rough which the elements of worldly might  
Beneath his haughty feet, like clouds, are laid!  
O joyless power that stands by lawless force!  
Curses are his dire portion, scorn, and hate,  
Internal darkness and unquiet breath;  
And, if old judgments keep their sacred course,  
Him from that height shall Heaven precipitate  
By violent and ignominious death.

—William Wordsworth.

## FRONT LINE LETTER

### Hero Who Did Not Return

A HERO of the Kiel raid and a bombing raid over Germany  
is First Class Aircraftman Alan Wilton.

He wrote to his mother before the last raid telling her he was just going on a raid over Germany.

"I have left instructions for it to get posted if I do not come back. You know, darling, I have died for the country I love, for the country I hope will be made safe for people like yourself."

He did not return. He was only 18½.

THAT letter from "the boy who did not come home" in yesterday's "Telegraph" was, I think, the noblest letter from a soldier to wife, mother or sweetheart I have ever read—and I have read many soldiers' letters home.

"Dear mother, I am in the pink, hoping you and all at home are the same . . ." was the traditional

line. During the 19th century there was a continuous growth of Finnish national consciousness, which resulted in a big strike in 1906 that gave Finland her first democratic constitution and the world its first really democratic Parliament.

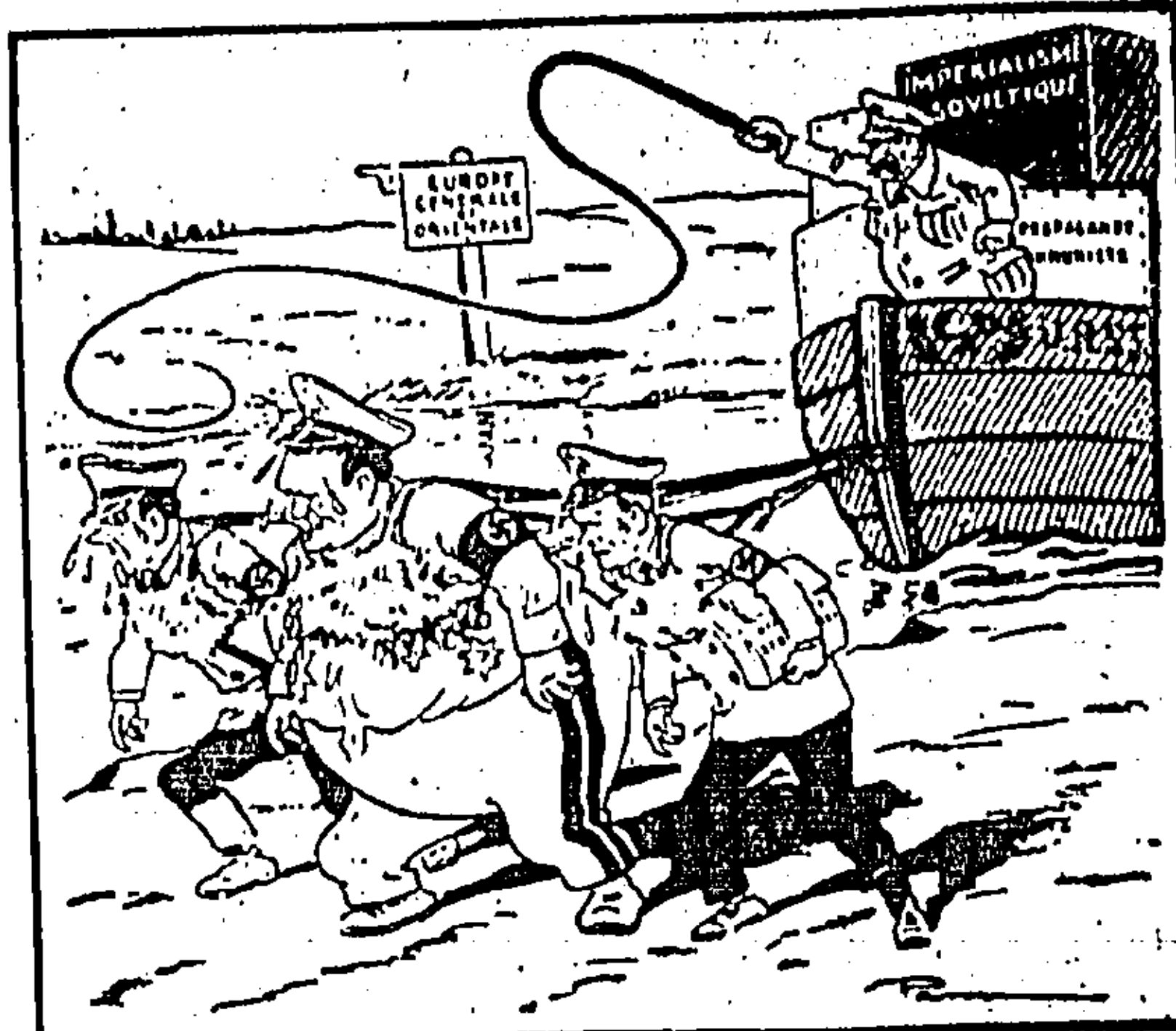
In 1917, immediately after the Russian Revolution, there was a Red Coup d'Etat in Finland, and the Socialist Workers' Republic was declared. It was opposed by the organised White forces which, helped by Germany, won the war and expelled the Communists from the country.

After the end of the civil war a new Diet was elected and slightly modified the Constitution of 1906, but the fear of Russia and of Communism led to the formation of a kind of Finnish "Gestapo"—Civic Guards. In 1930 there was an outbreak of Fascist activity, which resulted in the complete disbanding of the Communist Party, and was instrumental in passing an act of Parliament, by which no member of any party working for the overthrow of the state was to be elected.

As the review of a span of Finnish history reveals, the relationship between Finland and Russia has never been cordial, but always tense due to political discords.

As commercially the two countries also little depend upon each other, and there are no racial ties between the two peoples, there is really nothing which would prevent Russia from abusing her weaker neighbour when her own interests are at stake.

In the conflict which has arisen, might is decidedly on the Russian side, but sympathy and understanding will rest with the proud and independent people, citizens of a liberal and progressive state.



"THE VOLGA BOATMEN"  
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## A Russian child's guide to a very awkward situation

WHAT'S that funny hat father's putting on?

Hush, Ivan. That's Papa Stalin's new yachting cap, and he's very proud of it. Papa Stalin's going for a holiday in the Baltic.

How lovely! Shall we go too?

Yes, dear, but don't tell any one. Papa Stalin's going first to find a nice place for us. He's been working so hard at his nasty old medical exams.

Is that why that beastly von somebody came to stay with us? Is he father's tutor?

You mustn't talk of Reichminister Ribbentrop like that. He's a very clever gentleman indeed.

Then why did Papa Stalin tell Mr. Molotov that he was going to teach Herr von a thing or two?

Ivan! You must not repeat such conversations. (Quickly.) What else did father say?

He said von R. had yet to learn what enlightenment really meant, but he would pretty soon. Then he said Lebensraum was a Russian word really, but von R. could have six feet of it at any time, and he would take the rest. Father and Mr. Molotov laughed like anything. Why does father laugh so much these days? Did he pass in his exams?

Yes, dear. He was top of the class in the Anatomy of Non-aggression and first in Political Surgery. They practised on Poland. Mr. Ribbentrop used the knife and your father administered the anaesthetic.

What happened to the patient?

Oh, the patient died, but the operation was a success. Your father and Mr. Ribbentrop have agreed that there is no need for an inquest, whatever any one may say.

And who will they practise on next, do you think?

Ah, that's what every one would like to know. Mr. Ribbentrop thinks they should operate on Rumania, but Papa Stalin says "Wait." Your father thinks he can look after Rumania himself and Bulgaria too. His friend Mr. Sarajoglu from Turkey told him that there should be no more need for operations. Papa Stalin has great respect for Mr. Sarajoglu's opinion.

Oh, yes, Mr. Sarajoglu's such a nice man. I asked him how long he was staying and he said, "Ask your father. For ever, by the looks of things."

Now, dear, you know how busy Papa Stalin is. All these queer people from Latvia and so on flying over every day and taking up all his time. Still, it will be lovely when we've fixed up all our accommodation at the seaside.

Ooh, wonderful, when shall we go?

Well, dear, your Uncle Voroshilov is having a look round already. He's booked the Gulf of Finland—such safe paddling for us all—and you'll be able to fly your airplanes everywhere in Latvia. And there are two grand islands called Dagoe and Oesel near by, and you can sail all your little ships round them at once.

But don't those islands belong to the Estonians?

Yes, of course, but they've lent them to us. And then there are two nice sandy harbours—Windau and Lindau, especially Lindau.

And will the Estonians and so on throw flowers at us—you know, like Papa Stalin said they did in Poland?

Er, no. I don't suppose so. But remember, the Poles begged us to come in to save them.

Well, why didn't they let our soldiers march in to help them before the Nazis started fighting?

Ivan, you know perfectly well that's why father's talks with England and France broke down. The Poles have low, suspicious minds.

They actually said that once the Red Army crossed into Poland they would never get them out again. They wouldn't trust us, I'm sorry to say.

But they're sorry, too, now. So to prove how wrong they were Papa Stalin will take our soldiers out of Poland as soon as the Germans are beaten.

Certainly not. I mean . . . don't you see that half of Poland is part of Russia now?

So if the Poles had let the Red Army go right through at the start we'd have the whole of Poland instead of only half. What a pity they didn't trust us after all!

Yes, and they are not the only

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# Dictator Who Was Overriden By His Subordinates NAZI LEADER WANTED PEACE, SAYS BURKHARD

Heavy Losses In West Front Patrols

## NAZIS SEARCH FOR FRENCH POSITIONS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 27 (UP).—The official night communique said that despite heavy losses, German patrols have been active along the 100-mile front from the Moselle to the Rhine, indicating that they are seeking the exact formation of the French winter quarters.

The French claim that their mobile first line of defence, composed of machine gunners and observers, has inflicted the maximum number of losses on the Nazi forces.

They also claim that not a single French prisoner has been taken in a dozen raids on the German positions.

**Western Front Quiet**  
A High Command communique says: "In the west there is no activity with the exception of weak artillery fire."

1918 — 1939  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
ON A WORLD WAR BATTLEFIELD, Nov. 21 (UP) (Passed by Field Censor).—Trenches and dugouts constructed by American troops in 1918 still exist to-day.

In certain sectors over which the Yanks fought 21 years ago, trench lines with devastated forts and ruined villages were left just as they were the day the World War ended.

One well-known stretch of a region where more than 500,000 Americans fought one of their greatest battles has been preserved as a national monument and a ghostly reminder of the last great war. Winds and rains of 21 years have carved the trench lines, and saplings as big as your arm have grown out of the shell-torn earth.

En route to the Maginot Line, I plodded through sticky mud over battlefields in a cold driving rain only a few miles from the front lines in the American front lines where I had covered the Armistice and heard the last shots of the World War.

**Same Sounds After 21 Years**  
A few hours later in the Maginot Line, I was hearing the dull slam of German shells after 21 years' interval. Again I alighted on clay-like mud over bleak, denuded sleeping hills where the greatest battle in history was fought, where the fate of France was decided, and where 1,050,000 men of both sides were killed. No effort has been made to reconstruct this battlefield or to rebuild the thriving villages which were literally wiped out of existence for all time.

Only little supports say, "here was Fleury" or "here was so-and-so" but the debris of villages has crumbled into the soil. Other than these and the American cemeteries with their little forests of marble crosses, I found no visible evidence of the presence of American troops in these regions.

**At Belleau Wood**  
At Belleau Wood, below the brow of hill ranges in 13 concentric semicircles lie the 2,288 bodies of Americans killed in that woodland. On the wall of an impressive chapel are etched the names of 88 whose bodies were never found or identified.

In the woodland few sections of the old trenches are preserved just where the guns are rusting in the cold November rain. Now and then bodies are still unearthed in the surrounding countryside by peasants plowing. A century ago here and there the beautifully landscaped grounds neat, American flags hang dripping in the rain but few visitors come here since the war started.

Except for a few shell scars, the town of Chateau Thierry to-day is entirely reconstructed and there is little to show that here was fought one of the most fateful battles in 1918.

In the Argonne region, Sainte Menchould, known to so many tens of thousands of Yanks, is again outwardly a pretty provincial town just as it was before the battle.

Clermont, on the Argonne, where the Germans had so many machine-guns studied in the deep-wooded hills, is entirely reconstructed. But the earth of the hill is still seeded with American shell fragments and old trees are scarred and mutilated.

**Verdun Unrecognisable**  
These thousands of Americans who passed through Verdun in the final days of the war would never recognize it as it is to-day. It is rebuilt on an old model.

The village of Vaux, which American artillery blasted to the ground so that no wall, not even as high as a man was left standing, has been rebuilt just as it existed before 1918.

In my party, visiting the battlefield, were two Americans—William Chaplin and Harold Denny—who had been in these scenes as soldiers during the battle. But they had difficulty recognizing the landmarks, although the group of German six-inch shells which we heard only a few hours later sounded all too familiar to our ears.

## PREMIER'S SPEECH WELCOMED

Outlines The Spirit Of  
Real Peace

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27, (Reuter).—Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in his broadcast yesterday, did not attempt to lay down peace terms in detail, "says the Daily Telegraph."

The journal adds: "He was concerned with the spirit in which any peace would have to be made."

"The definition of peace terms as a matter for settlement by a world congress of nations goes far beyond any former declaration of the Allies."

**No Imperialistic Aims**  
The "Manchester Guardian" says that the speech should do a great deal to convince opinion abroad that our aims are not selfish or imperialistic.

The "News Chronicle" says that the Prime Minister went far to meet the desire both at home and abroad for a more precise statement of the sort of Europe that we hope to see created when the war is won.

Those aims should make clear to the world that Britain seeks only the creation of a better life for all peoples.

**Washington Reaction**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Mr. Chamberlain's speech is considered in authoritative quarters in Washington to have done much to clarify the question of objectives for which the Allies are fighting by drawing a distinction between war and peace aims.

They point out that the United States Administration has expressed the view that the nation would be ready to co-operate in securing a peaceful world after the war through trade agreements, co-operation in disarmament, and by discussing with other Powers and interests the troubled Far Eastern situation.

## LICENSING WAR EXPORTS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—According to a "Dow Jones" message from Washington, the War Department has tentatively drafted a bill.

Submittable to Congress at the next session, empowering Government to place the export of certain strategic war materials under a licensing system.

## Families Living On \$1.55 A Month Appalling Conditions Revealed By S.P.C

The average monthly income of families assisted by the Hongkong Society for the Protection of the Poor, the lowest in the history report.

The lowest average in any one month was 70 cents per head at the February.

Some pitiful cases assisted by the Society are revealed in the report. Assistance was sought by the Benevolent Society on behalf of a little girl aged eight of Indian and Chinese parentage. The father was dying of tuberculosis and the mother was also ill and out of work.

The family was destitute. With the parents' consent the child was removed from her unhealthy environment and placed in the Italian Convent where she is very happy.

**From Cruelty To Kindness**  
An old woman of 64, who was sleeping on the streets asked for assistance on behalf of her grand daughter aged six. The child, whose

PARIS, NOV. 27 (UP).—AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW BY THE FRENCH PLAYWRIGHT, M. HENRI BERNSTEIN WITH THE FORMER LEAGUE OF NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER KARL BURKHARDT, PUBLISHED IN THE "PARIS SOIR," AFFIRMED TO-DAY THAT HITLER WAS PREPARED FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE DANZIG DISPUTE WHEN MR. BURKHARDT VISITED HIM IN BERCHTESGADEN JUST BEFORE THE OUT-BREAK OF THIS WAR.

Mr. Burkhardt told M. Bernstein the details of the first secret session when the League High Commissioner visited Hitler in the latter's Bavarian mountain retreat during the Danzig crisis.

## LLOYD GEORGE SARCASM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 27, (UP).—Known for his biting tongue as well as his bitter opposition to Mr. Chamberlain's policies, Mr. Lloyd George recently excelled his own record for sarcasm by remarking, "Perhaps, after all, Mr. Chamberlain was responsible for the Munich bomb outrage, because the explosion was 15 minutes late."

## "PUT THE SCREWS ON JAPAN"

Outspoken American  
Editorial

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (UP).—In an editorial entitled "Put the Screws on Japan" the "New York Daily News" to-day said the denunciation of the 1911 Commercial Treaty with Japan has placed the United States in a very strong bargaining position in the Orient.

"We should now frankly advise Japan that the price of continued trade relations will be Japanese withdrawal from the areas they have conquered in China."

"Let us put the screws on Japan and do it now while we are in a position to twist them to the hilt."

"Let us stand by our guns in this matter until we get action, even though we have to go through with our own throat," the editorial declares.

**Legislation Sought**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (UP).—The American Committee of Non-participation in Japanese Aggression announced renewal of the nation-wide public opinion in support of legislation which is now pending to restrict the sale of war supplies to Japan.

They made public a list of sponsors including Mr. Henry L. Harriman, ex-President of the United States Chamber of Commerce and Rear Admiral Harry Yarnell, formerly of the China Station, who is now retired.

A Lecture entitled "The Universality of Law" will be given by The Rev. Father Coney, S. J., at 8.30 p.m. to-morrow in the Hongkong University Union Assembly Room. All interested are welcome.

**COLLISION  
SEQUEL**  
Driver Is Fined \$25

SEQUEL to a motor accident in King's Road on October 20 when a car crashed head on into a stationary Tramway Company lorry was heard before Mr. Forrest at Central Magistracy this morning.

When the driver, J. M. Alves of Macao, was summoned for driving without due care and caution.

Mr. C. D'Almada pleaded guilty for Alves, and said he could offer no explanation for the incident. He suggested that a car would meet the matter, as defendant was in hospital for about a week after the accident, and was not likely to forget the matter in a hurry.

Traffic Sub-Inspector Clarke said Alves was driving along King's Road towards Shaukwan about 2.20 a.m. when he made a head on collision with the stationary lorry which was parked two or three feet on the north side of the road. The road was well lit and the lorry had its headlights centred on a transformer. Defendant had had a driving licence for about two months.

A fine of \$25 was imposed.

**NEW "FREEDOM"  
RADIO STATION**

Tells Of Agents In The  
Krupp Factories

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The new German "Freedom" station came on the air on Sunday night.

The announcer said that the sponsors of the station were receiving detailed information from Krupp and other factories through their agents.

The announcer said that the station was operating in the Ruhr district and called the station, adopting the name of the regular Nazi station, "Deutschland Sender," adding the adjective, which he accented, "Frei."

The adjective means "Free."

## Japanese Bomb U.S. Mission

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PEIPING, Nov. 27, (UP).—Japanese planes dropped two bombs on the American Christian Missionary Alliance mission at Sulshan in Szechuen on November 11. The house was destroyed despite the fact that it prominently displayed American flags.

The American missionaries were absent at the time of the bombing and no casualties were reported in the Mission.

However, it is reported that 19 Chinese were killed, and many houses nearby were set afire.

SOVIET-JAPAN

## RUSSIANS MANNING FRONTIER

Large Concentration  
Of Troops

TOKYO, Nov. 28, (Domei).—The Soviet Union has not withdrawn the large forces of troops and vast amount of military equipment which were concentrated in Far Eastern Siberia during the Nomonhan incident.

Lt-Colonel Yozo Miyama, Japanese Military Attaché at Moscow, declared upon his return home on Monday on furlough.

There are indications, however, that Japan and the Soviet Union will not resort to arms against each other again in settling their differences, said Lt-Col. Miyama in an interview with newspapermen at the Korean Army Headquarters at Seoul.

**Still Building Defences**

Although the Nomonhan incident has been closed for two months, Soviet troops are still engaged in constructing defence works along the Far Eastern border, the Army officer continued.

During July, the Siberian Railway was practically devoted to the transport of war materials to the Far East. The arms and ammunition which were brought during the summer still remain in the Far East.

While Japan should not relax its vigilance, said the Military Attaché, the situation at the present is not alarming.

In his opinion, there seem to be no problems existing between Japan and the Soviet Union which cannot be settled through diplomatic negotiations. In fact, there are already signs of a possible rapprochement.

The Soviet press minimised the Soviet and Outer Mongol losses in the Nomonhan battle, but foreign observers understand that the Siberian military hospitals have on their hands at least 10,000 wounded soldiers.

**LABOUR AND  
PEACE**

Determining Voice  
Essential

"TELEGRAPH" STAFF REPORTER

HAVANA, Cuba, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—At to-day's plenary session of the Labour Conference of American States, the Secretary of the United States Committee of Industrial Organisation, Mr. Carey, pleaded that Labour should have a determining voice in peace after the war.

Mr. Carey said: "If the peace after the war is not like 1919, it will be based so that social justice for all will have a determining voice in it."

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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

# LEAGUE MAY BE DISORGANISED

## Possibility Of Volunteer Camps Later In The Present Season

THE ENTHUSIASM which is being displayed in cricket this year is most encouraging, and in spite of Camp difficulties most teams are managing to turn out some sort of a side and carry on. I have, however, heard a rumour that there will be a further series of camps starting somewhere about the third week in January.

I do not vouch in any way for this statement, but if it is correct, I rather think it will mean the abandonment of the League. However, if the present enthusiasm is maintained it will not really matter.

THE CLUB managed to raise a team against the I.R.C. first eleven by calling on their outside members, their regular team being cut up by camp and drills. Richardson, Perry and Porteus played from the Civil Service, Godby from the Army, and W. G. Finnie from the Navy. Two substitutes fielded to begin with, but later another man turned up, and finally Alec Pearce suddenly appeared in time to play a very bright innings by the courtesy of the I.R.C. as, not having fielded, he was not strictly entitled to bat. (N.B. This is what I was told - I had left for K.C.C. before that).

### A POOR START

THE INDIANS batted first and Godby bowled from the Naval Yard end. His good length ball was always dangerous, but it seemed to go just outside the off stump, while he sent down some shocking long-hops. Perry at the other end was the steady, but after watching him for a while I think I have discovered why he does not get the wickets he seems to deserve. The trouble is that he bowls out-swingers but pitches them for the most part on or just outside the off stump which enables the batsman safely to ignore them unless they are of sufficient length that they can safely be punished. In his first over, six balls were ignored, a short one was cut for two, and one pitched about on the leg stump did everything but bowl Nazarin. If he could stick to that for six balls an over with only a couple of others he would force the batsman to play at him and would get far more slip catches than he does now.

Godby never found a length, and at 23 was lucky to get A. H. Rumjahn to flick at a very short one to be taken at second slip (23-1-8). A. R. Kitchell succeeded and Finnie relieved Godby, but at 32 Perry's perseverance was rewarded as Nazarin tried to cut one he should have left alone and was smartly taken at first slip 32-2-17.

### CAREY FINDS A LENGTH

CAREY succeeded Perry, and in his first over failed to find a length as his second ball was smacked to mid-wicket for four, and a full toss went to the square leg boundary, and 50 was up in forty minutes. Carey then found his length. He sent down

a real good 'un to which Kitchell played forward but was bowled all the way. (51-3-13).

Bakar, promoted in the original order, came in, but both he and Madar were stuck up by the slow bowler. The latter played Finnie very well, on driving him for four, and then taking a short one on the off which resulted in a four over-throw.

Next over, however, Carey tempted Bakar down the pitch and Porteus smartly stumped him (61-4-1), while K. M. Rumjahn, after hitting a full-toss for four, was very finely caught and bowled as Carey dived down the pitch and took the ball very close to the ground. It was thought at the time it was off the ninth ball of the over, but it subsequently transpired that a no-ball had been called but not heard in the scoring box.

### A GOOD STAND

WITH FIVE DOWN for 65, the Indians had not made a good start, but Madar, who was, as usual, watching the ball very closely, was joined by A. M. Rumjahn, and no further success met the efforts of the Club bowlers until Richardson went on and bowled Madar (43), and had A. M. Rumjahn (44) stumped. Ride got M. el Arculli at once, but Minu hit out for 20 not out, and S. A. Ismail got ten, and the innings was declared at 174 for 8, a very much higher score than appeared probable at one time.

### THE CLUB BAT

THE CLUB STARTED with the opening pair of the C.S.C.C., and followed them up with Perry, first wicket. Richardson did not get going, but Porteus and Perry made a good stand until both were stumped. Porteus played forward to Minu and just scraped over the crease, while Perry danced down the pitch to A. M. Rumjahn and was out by about four yards. The only remaining feature of the Club innings was a sparkling innings by T. A. Pearce who hit two successive sixes, one on to the roof of the Commodore's office, and one near the petrol filling station. I do not think that the Club would have got the runs unless Godby had got going, but there was no time for a decision.

### K.C.C.'s Win

BY THE TIME I arrived at the K.C.C., the home team were



His Excellency Major-General A. E. Grasset, G.O.C., watching the spring at the Sunday meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association, the proceeds of which went to the British War Organisation Fund.—Mee Cheung.

### Rugby Football

## Strong Club "A" Fifteen Beat Kai Tak 11-0

(By "Fly-half")

ON THE CLUB GROUND yesterday evening, a strong Club "A" team defeated Kai Tak by 11 points (one goal and two tries) to nil, in a rather scrappy game. Credit must be given to the Kai Tak XV for their gameness against the strongest Club "A" team fielded this year. Their forwards, with Gash, Hynes and Taylor to the fore, upset the Club back division, especially the halves, by their quick breaking and forceful play.

Wakefield, at scrum half for Kai Tak, was a weak link; he generally gathered the ball, stood up and looked around before passing, with the result that Bedell was given very little room in which to move by Club forwards, who had plenty of time in which to close in on him.

This seemed to disorganise the whole of the Kai Tak back division, and prevented them from getting into movement. Torrey, on the wing, was inclined to wonder, and was never given anything like a chance to score. Stewart was seldom in the picture,

just starting their innings and the day had turned very dull with a leaden sky and a poor light. The wicket had been slow and easy while Reccelo batted, though I fancied it was getting faster during the K.C.C. knock.

The Reccelo had a rather characteristic innings—three men making most of the runs, and they totalled 107. Robert Lee turned out again, but only bowled 4 overs for one wicket. Lloyd and Anderson did most of the damage with four for thirty and three for thirty respectively.

### ANDERSON'S FINE INNINGS

DONALD ANDERSON at last has managed to run into his true form. He started slowly—I nearly wrote shakily—but settled down and, though he had seen five batsmen go for practically nothing, he played himself in.

Hung mistimed Ozorio, who bowled excellently, and was taken at mid-off. Baxter (l.b.w.) and Rapley (bowled) both fell to balls that kept low, pitching, it seemed, on the leg stump. Broadbridge tried to knock Ozorio off but was well caught at long on, while A. Zimmerman was bowled at once.

It was not until Lloyd came in that K.C.C. looked like saving the match. The newcomers' great reach helped him to deal with balls that would have been very dangerous to shorter batsmen. Anderson watched everything and began to score fast.

Rodrigues put on G. N. Gosano for E.L., who had bowled steadily on a pitch which did not suit him, and then switched Ozorio to the other end, and brought E. L. Gosano back at the Pavilion end.

Ozorio yanked Lloyd, for a most useful score of twenty-two, and had at that time taken all six wickets. K.C.C. had just time and, though Teddy Fincher was run out in busting, R. E. Lee hit one past cover for two to win the match. It was a great finish, just about two or three minutes before time.

But the game as a whole showed that both Clubs rely too much on two or three individuals. I hear great things of Kowloon's fielding, I have seldom seen a side field better than the Reccelo, and their throwing in was extraordinarily accurate.

### University Again Escape

AT POKFULAM, Craigen-gower made very light of the University bowling after Gegg had got rid of A. R. H. Esmail, and A. H. P. Lim pretty cheaply. They totalled 153 for three wickets, of which E. A. Lee, who is in great form just now, made top score with 61 not out. George Souza had 88 not out and

although the little he had to do was well done.

Kai Tak's right wing sustained a damaged knee early in the game, and was virtually a passenger from then on. He was off the field for a good portion of both halves; and during his absence it was bad policy not to have sent a forward out of the pack to fill his position, as it left Bosanquet a clear field. Fowler tried hard to kick back, although he wants to remember that a kick ahead by his opponents should be fielded by him before the ball bounces, if at all possible.

### LINEOUT FAILINGS

CLUB FORWARDS were not marking and binding in the lineouts as they should have, and as a result, the alman broke through frequently to carry the ball well up the field by the field by foot rushes. Godfrey

### Army Rugby Fifteen

The following have been selected to represent Army in the first Triangular Tournament Rugby game against Club at Soekunpo, on Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sergt. Lang (R.A.O.C.); Bombr. Marsh (8th. H.R.A.); Lieut. Skiplith (10th. H.R.A.); Cpl. Wate (R.C.); L/Bdr. Richards (8th. H.R.A.); L/Cpl. Roe (R. Scots); Lieut. Hook (8th. H.R.A.); Lieut. Finckson (A. Scots); Lieut. Hewitt (Max. R.); L/Bdr. Evans (8th. A.A.R.A.); Pte. Berry (Max. R.); Cpl. Duke (R. Scots); Lieut. Cuthbertson (R. Scots); Lieut. Richards (Royal Norfolk Regt.); Reserves—Sergt. Page (8th. A.A.R.A.); Sign. Willis (R.C.S.); L/Cpl. Smith (Seaford Hdr.).

handled the ball a lot, but it would have been to more purpose if he had opened up play more by passing back instead of trying to crash through on his own.

Rutherford gave Charter a fair service. Bosanquet was in good form, by his speed alone he was the most dangerous of the Club's three. Bidwell was active, although his attempt to break through were generally blocked by the desperate tackling of the alman.

Lavalle and Van Leeuwen were given little scope by Stewart and Torrey. The same applied to Thomson when he changed places with Lavalle. Thomson, while playing full back, was safe, but he had little to do.

Tries were scored by Bosanquet (2), and Van Leeuwen (1). Charter converted one try.

he seems to be settling back to form.

### ENCOURAGING

THE UNIVERSITY batting was encouraging so far that the later men all did their share of staving off defeat after the first four batsmen had failed. In fact the first six batsmen between them only got 27 runs. Then Sen Gupta (13) and Lingam (10) held up the wicket. They both were run out in the end. Chin Thian-siew saved things with an excellent score of 30. Mahmood and R. Singh held up the last wicket and saved the game. I am afraid that the University are not really up to last eleven standard though they are playing very excellently indeed. But they must improve their calling and judgment of a run.

### RAF. Draw

THE CRAIGENGOWER 2nd eleven knocked up 136 against the R.A.F. A.B. Hanson, who formerly used to play for the 1st eleven was top scorer with 41, and A. Hung got 28. Nan-

### Rifle Shooting

## CHARITY MEET AT KOWLOON RANGES

A BITTERLY COLD WIND of gale force, blowing down the range from the butte, greeted the H.K.R.A. officials when they arrived on the Kowloon City range at 7.30 a.m. on Sunday, but conditions fortunately improved somewhat later. In spite of the unfavourable weather 35 members took part and several good scores were obtained.

The prizes were given anonymously, so that all the receipts amounting to \$140 went to the British War Organisation Fund. Major General A. E. Grasset, D.S.O., M.C., presented the prizes.

In the first round H.K. Police Reserve beat Dockyard Rifle Club.

To-morrow's shoot will be at 200 yds., 500 yds. and 600 yards. A Bellios Shield match, will be fired between the Royal Engineers and the Middlesex Regiment.

### LEADING SCORES

Leading scores on Sunday were:

Aperture	Height	200	500	600	Tot.
H/100	200	100	100	100	300
Lt. C. F. O'way Ser.	43	40	41	41	124
P.S.M. V. Cooper Ser.	43	43	43	43	129
F/Sgt. W. Tullison 4	43	43	43	43	129
Lt. W. W. Kilduff 1	43	43	43	43	129
Mr. A. F. Evans 4	43	43	43	43	129
C/Sgt. P. Hale Ser.	43	43	43	43	129
Lt. C. G. Bright 2	43	43	43	43	129
Lt. A. C. Chan 2	43	43	43	43	129
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Lt. A. A. Hopkins 3	43	43	43	43	129
Lt. C. G. R. Morton 3	43	43	43	43	129
Mr. W. Tremouth 4	43	43	43	43	129
Sgt. R. J. Hoop Ser.	43	43	43	43	129

### Other Shots

Lt. O. T. Leung 12	40	43	43	126
Sgt. W. T. Sargent 2	43	43	43	129
A/Sgt. T. Baker Ser.	43	43	43	129
Mme. S. Croft 3	43	43	43	129
L.S.G. Purn Singh 4	43	43	43	129
C.S.M. F. Maalen 3	43	43	43	129
P/Sgt. N. L. Pan 3	43	43	43	129
Lt. C. J. D. Remondou 3	43	43	43	129
Spr. E. W. Allen 3	43	43	43	129
Cpl. H. Langford Ser.	43	43	43	129
Lt. A. Mohamed Ser.	43	43	43	129
L.A.C. J. Berry 3	43	43	43	129
A/Sgt. W. Dore 8	37	39	39	115
Pte. E. A. Castro 12	37	39	39	115
Mr. W. Gillman 2	37	39	39	115
Sgt. Chanchal Singh 11	37	39	39	115
Sgt. J. Perkins 3	37	39	39	115
Cpl. S. Mahar Singh 7	33	39	39	111
Cpl. S. Mahar Singh 7	33	39	39	111
Sgt. K. F. Rushman 7	33	39	39	111
Mr. C. A. Hyett 6	34	37	37	108
C. C. Guleri Mahar 5	33	37	37	107
Lt. Sgt. W. R. Nunn 4	30	34	34	98

\* denotes winner of net spoon.

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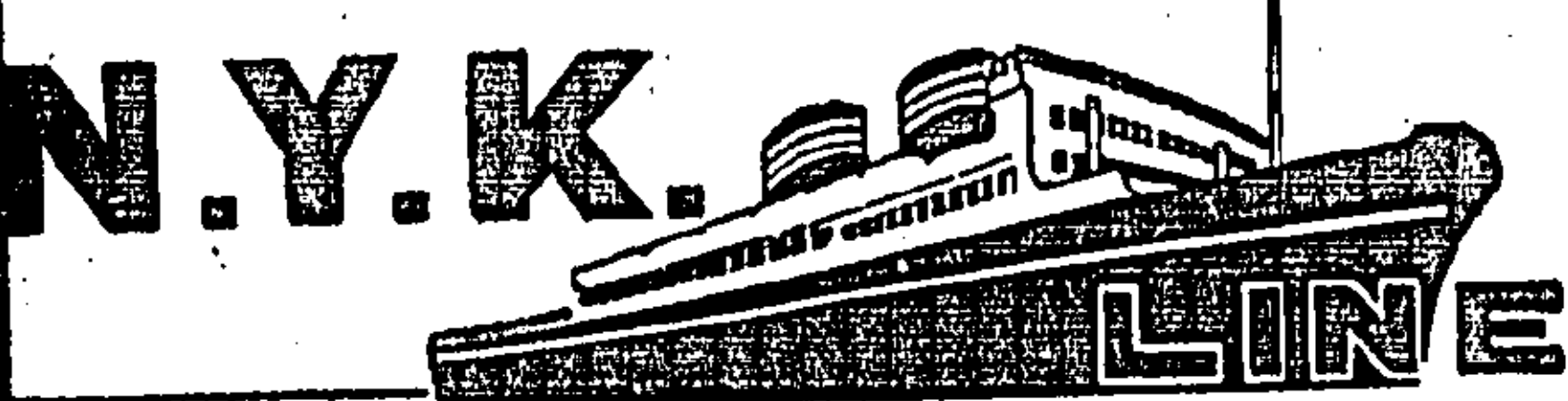
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## Protests Against Blockade Extension

# BRITAIN TO SEND NOTE TO NEUTRALS

LONDON, NOV. 27 (UP).—A CIRCULAR COMMUNICATION WILL BE MADE BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO NEUTRAL COUNTRIES THROUGH THEIR RESPECTIVE ENVOYS IN LONDON, PROBABLY ON TUESDAY, SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE ORDER-IN-COUNCIL REGARDING THE EMBARGO ON GERMAN EXPORTS.

It has been emphasised that the Order-in-Council has paid close attention to the interests of neutral Powers, and that Britain will act in such a manner as to interfere as little as possible with neutral trade while lacking adequate measures to penalise Germany for the wanton and illegal methods of warfare in which she has been showing complete disregard for the safety of shipping and human life either belligerents or neutrals.

It is reliably reported that the application of the Order-in-Council will be delayed for a few days following its issuance.

**Japanese Protest**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Shigemitsu, who presented a note of protest to Lord Halifax objecting to the embargo, revealed that Japan's firm attitude is due especially to Germany's impending delivery of machine tools for armaments manufacture—machinery so heavy and bulky that it could not be transported by railway through Russia.

It is believed possible, however, that the British Order-in-Council may exempt from the embargo such German goods as neutrals have not paid for in advance, which would thus solve Japan's immediate problem.

**To Consider Protest**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—It is understood that the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, in receiving the Japanese Government's protest regarding the British seizure of German exports on the high seas on Monday afternoon, informed the Japanese Ambassador that Britain would have to proceed ahead with the measures to intercept Germany's outgoing trade.

Foreign Secretary Halifax, however, it is further revealed, assured the Japanese Ambassador that the British Government would give consideration to the losses which Japan might suffer as the result of the British action.

The British Government will make a formal reply to the Japanese representations in the near future.

**Reprisals Defended**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—Commenting on the extension of the contraband control to German exports, M. Pernet, the Minister of Blockade, emphasised that the Government is particularly anxious to safeguard the rights of neutrals.

All possible account of their legitimate interests will be taken. Neutrals will be able to have re-

## 38 SWEDISH SHIPS HELD

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Swedish Democratic magazine "Tiden" states that there are now 38 Swedish ships being detained in German ports, and through the contraband control, 15 Swedish vessels are in British ports, and one in a French port.

This is a total of 54 Swedish vessels with a tonnage of 114,000, mostly loaded with cellulose which is destined for the United States, Holland and Belgium.

Several of these ships have been detained for over a month.

course to the Contraband Control Committee and the Prize Court.

He urged neutral exporters to assist in avoiding unnecessary difficulties by having the certificate of origin issued by the British or French Consul at the port of departure.

**New Markets Offered**

He added: "The new blockade hurts only the martial interests of the enemy."

"Markets conquered by Germany by dumping and other unfair means now will be opened up for the Allies and neutrals, and the latter will have the best chance of profiting thereby since the largest part of the Allies' productive capacity is devoted to war purposes."

M. Pernet concluded that the measures are not new. They are the same as those enforced by the Allies in 1917 and 1918.

In fighting for liberty and national independence in Europe, the Allies are fighting for the vital interests of neutrals.

## Yorkshiremen's Society Lawn Bowls Rinks

The following have been selected to represent the Yorkshiremen's Society of Hongkong at bowls against the Northumberland and Durham Association of Hongkong, on Saturday, December 2, at 2.30 p.m. at Kowloon Bowling Green Club:

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L. de Rome, Colonel Holt, M. N. Rakusen and A. Brooksbank.

G. B. Foster, A. L. Fisher, J. C. Gill and J. G. Meyer.

Reserves—A. R. Brown and J. H. Shaw.

## New Trawler Fleet

British Answer To  
Magnetic Mines

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—Between November 19 and 23, eleven British ships totalling 25,707 tons, two French ships totalling 3,000 tons and four neutral ships totalling 23,849 tons were sunk by German action.

Germany's laying of magnetic mines has brought an appeal from the Admiralty for 200 trawlers.

A far greater number of trawlers, complete with crew, have already volunteered and will be formed as a special part of the R.N.V.R., becoming known as the Trawler Reserve.

**Swedish Protest To Reich**

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—The Government has protested to Germany against the latter's action in laying mines inside Sweden's four-mile zone.

The right to claim indemnity for losses is reserved.

## Belgium Army Leave Stopped

More Rumours Of  
Nazi Movements

BRUSSELS, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—On Sunday night Belgian authorities again commandeered motor buses and army leave was cancelled.

The Ministry of National Defence says that the authorities were commandeering buses only for a day.

There is no confirmation of the Paris report that German troops have been moving about in the Aix-La-Chapelle (Aachen) region close to the Belgian frontier.

## NAZI AIRMEN INTERNEED

ZURICH, Nov. 27 (Reuters).—Three German airmen who fled to Switzerland from France have been interned.

When their plane was disabled, they took to parachutes and landed in French territory close to the frontier.

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## Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS													DOWN																																																										
1—Rein for varnishes	2—Female deer	3—Fill with dismay	4—Rapidly	5—Die	6—Silver in France	7—Painted mimes	8—Mimicry	9—Pertaining to former British foreign secretary	10—Altitude (abbr.)	11—Opponent of medieval Crusader	12—Province in Morocco	13—Climbing plant	14—Tears	15—Pipe like chicken	16—Those who administer extreme unction (coarse)	17—Pertaining to Turks	18—Ornamental screen behind altar	19—Members of div. orderly assemblage	20—Type of cup	21—Wife of Ra	22—Members of enemy tribe	23—Young birds of prey	24—High in station	25—Having power to inspire	26—Short gait word over shoe	27—Wise person	28—Kneeling drinking-cup	29—Turn upside down	30—Human face	31—Muse of lyric poetry	32—Utmost hyperbole	33—At that place	34—Fatigued	35—Frighten (old English)	36—One who covers roof with tile	37—Kind of fish (pl.)	38—This season	39—Examining of weights and measures	40—Corpse	41—Of heavy color	42—Associate in business	43—Not as much	44—Out of way	45—Town in New York	46—Persons qualified to vote	47—Extraneous of hearty assent	48—Small cushion	49—Take as promise	50—Lingering	51—Diminishes	52—Overlapping grille	53—Assigns value to	54—Essential constituents	55—Tankards	56—Draw out	57—Possessing great physical endurance	58—Lingering stanza	59—Based on experience	60—Live of Long Lake	61—Live and late	62—Ontario	63—One who repairs with wooden strips	64—Quintessence	65—Platform	66—Lizard coatings	67—Medicinal plant	68—Landscape	69—Unit of length	70—Diminutive outfit	71—Man's nickname	72—Of that map



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## "R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

(Continued from Page 6.)

carrow took 6 wickets for 39, a satisfactory piece of bowling. When the Air Force went into bat they did not come off as well as usual. I have an idea that one or two of their best bats were away—but they managed to stop in the end and scored 76 runs for 6 wickets. Mr. Extras was easily top with 25, of which 13 were leg byes. Only two men got into double figures.

### All Round Cricket

AT SOOKUNPOO, quite a strong Army side beat the Police very comfortably. They were definitely too heavy metal for the visitors, who found the Army bowlers too good for them. Denyer, who is a deadly bowler against the weaker batsmen, had the figures of 4.5/18/5, which was an excellent performance. Ratcliffe took 2 for 7 in 6 overs and Murphy 3 for 19. Denyer followed up his fine bowling by an innings of 55 retired, but previous to this the game had been already won. Whatman made 28 and Patterson 31, both retired. The final score was 183 for 8 wickets.

### C.S.C.C. Beaten

I see that a very weak Civil Service 2nd eleven were beaten by the D.B.S. by 6 wickets. For the School J. Fisher made 64 and C. Whitfield 32. The match finished with a very bad light which is, as often as not, harder on the fieldsmen than on the batsmen.

### I.R.C. Juniors' Beat Feat To Date

THE INDIAN R.C. juniors performed their best feat of the current cricket season when they defeated the Hongkong C.C. seconds at Sookunpoo by 45 runs on Saturday.

Scoring was on the low side. The Indians, batting first, totalled 130 as the result of steady rather than brilliant batting, but against this, the Club side, which had looked formidable on paper, made only 85 in reply.

The best innings of the day was that of A. R. Sufiad, who batted attractively for his 31. It is a pity that his hours of duty prevent him from putting in regular practice; otherwise many more runs would flow regularly from his bat.

The Indians might have been dismissed for less than 120 had a couple

## Helsingfors Willing To Negotiate On Equitable Basis

# FINLAND'S REPLY REJECTS DEMANDS TO MOVE TROOPS

MOSCOW, Nov. 28 (UP).—The Finnish Envoy to Moscow presented the Finnish Government's reply to M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, at 12.30 a.m., Moscow Time.

"Finland denies that any shots have been fired from the Finnish side of the border.

"Consequently it is my duty to declare that Finland has committed no hostile act against the Soviet Union," the Finnish Note declared.

Finland, however, expresses willingness to negotiate for the withdrawal of troops beyond the frontier on the basis of a mutual agreement.

In order to effect such a withdrawal, the Finnish note states, Finland proposes the establishment of a joint commission in accordance with the Russo-Finnish Frontier Convention of September 24, 1938.

In the meantime, Moscow Radio to-day broadcast a direct appeal to the Finnish people to overthrow "the clownish Premier who is leading their country along the disastrous path of the former Polish leaders."

This appeal was made in the first of a series of long wave broadcasts in the Finnish language. The radio also relayed a Finnish language translation of "Pravda's" Sunday editorial, charging that the Finnish leaders, goaded by a third Power, want a war which contravenes the interests of the Finnish people.

### Soviet Frenzy Against Finns

MOSCOW, Nov. 27 (UP).—A resolution adopted at a mass meeting of students and workers demands stern action against the "Finnish militarists," and the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the frontier.

"If they do not withdraw, we will throw them back," the resolution declared.

### Ready To Strike

A further resolution adopted at Leningrad is typical of Soviet sentiment. "We are ready to strike three decisive blows for each provocative blow by the Finnish war clique. The clowns who are managing the fate of the Finnish people must be reminded of the lot of the ill-fated former rulers of Poland," it said.

Scenes reminiscent of the days before the occupation of Poland occurred throughout Moscow to-day.

Masses of people lined up at the of catches late in the innings being accepted.

Even then, however, the final score of 130 seemed well within the capabilities of the Club batsmen, especially as they had nearly two hours in which to make these runs.

### PAINTFULLY SLOW

BUT R. M. M. King, and H. J. Armstrong, who opened the innings, were painfully slow, refusing to take the slightest risk against bowling which, at best, could only be termed "steady." Seven overs were required before they were able to take the score to 10 and the first 30 was hoisted after 60 minutes.

A. K. Mackenzie and R. S. W. Paterson made an attempt to speed up the rate of scoring, and it was when they were associated that the best bits of the game were seen.

### BRIGHT BATTING

HITTING OUT to good effect and taking many snappy short runs, Mackenzie seemed untroubled by the bowling, but he rather foolishly ran himself out when attempting an impossible second run.

After his dismissal, there was little hope for the Club and the last wicket fell at 85.

The two best bowlers of the day were D. S. Robb, of the Club, who took five wickets for 17 runs, and A. took five wickets for 31.

Robb was heavily punished at times, but his steadiness yielded five well-deserved wickets.

Young Arcull, son of the veteran cricketer who used to captain the Indian R.C. 25 years ago, kept a fine medium-paced bowler, he kept a fine length on Saturday and despite the heaviness of the pitch managed to impart quite a bit of pace off the ground.

PENNY, a three-day-old Shetland pony, introduced to a llama when it had its first day's outing in the Children's Corner of the London Zoo. Penny is only 20 inches high.

newsslands and listened to announcements over loudspeakers. Following a demonstration at the Artillery Headquarters, the troops adopted a resolution saying: "We are ready at any moment to defend our beloved Fatherland and to shatter the heads of the provocateurs with 'Voroshilov' telegrams' from powerful cannon."

The workers of the Hammer and Sickle plant—the largest metallurgical works in Moscow—also passed a resolution pledging increased production of defence materials. "Evidently the warmongers have lost their heads and forgotten that they are dealing with the Soviet Union," they said.

### Soviet Press Frenzy

MOSCOW, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The Russian press is being worked up into a frenzy over the alleged killing of four Soviet soldiers by Finnish practice artillery fire.

Despite a flat Finnish denial that any such incident had occurred, the Soviet press has begun a new campaign of threats.

The Soviet press goes into a hysterical denunciation of the Finnish Government.

Russian workers' groups are being organised into protest meetings. One meeting is passing a resolution demanding the withdrawal of Finnish troops from the important fortified area of Karelia, which was the subject of the original Soviet demands on Finland.

Other meetings re-echo the old Nazi cry of their patience being exhausted.

### Finland's Compromise Offer

PARIS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Finland has agreed to withdraw her troops 25 kilometres from the Soviet frontier if Soviet troops are withdrawn to a similar distance, according to a Helsinki dispatch.

### Frontier Quiet

HELSINGFORS, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—M. Erikko, the Finnish Foreign Minister, remains that Allied frontier is and has been quiet and that the Finns are doing nothing to disturb this state of affairs.

The Finnish Government is to meet to-morrow to discuss the Soviet demands in connection with the alleged incident, and is expected to forward a formal reply immediately.

## OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Island of Lost Men" (Queen's and Alhambra). Chinese jungle banditry. Film dominated by J. Carroll Nash's arresting characterization as "King of the River." Supporting cast includes Anna May Wong, Broderick Crawford and Eric Robson.

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"Dark Victory" (King's). A popular picture which, though presented as a love story, actually deals with a manner in which a girl waits for an inevitable death. Belle Davis invests this difficult character with vivid life, sympathy and understanding. Works well with George Brent, Humphrey Bogart and Geraldine Fitzgerald in supporting roles.



## NAZIS URGE FINNS TO ACCEPT ADVICE

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Germany is reported to have made demarches to the Soviet and Finland, recommending an early settlement of the questions at issue between them.

It is considered here that the Finnish reply to the Soviet note will probably request the Soviet to agree to an impartial investigation of the alleged shelling incident.

Despite the seriousness of the latest development, the Finns do not believe that peace is immediately threatened.

### Not An Ultimatum

It is emphasized that the Soviet note was not in the form of an ultimatum and did not contain a time limit.

The Finnish Command insists that no shot was fired from the Finnish side of the frontier.

It is thought that probably Russian guns were responsible but that the Russians believed in good faith, that the Finns were responsible.

Uncertainty is caused in Helsinki by reports that a number of persons have been arrested following the discovery of an extensive spy organization.

According to the "Aften Bladet" correspondent, at least one Finnish officer is involved.

### Nazis Take Cognisance

BERLIN, Nov. 27 (UP).—Authorized Nazi quarters declare that they have "taken cognisance with great interest, of the Soviet attitude in the present situation, and particularly of the Soviet statement that the Western Powers are behind the Finnish Government."

It is significant that the German press, is publishing the "Pravda"

editorial.

## India Retains Man-Power

Only Few Europeans Allowed To Leave

DELHI, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Since the beginning of the war, European residents in India between the ages of 16 and 60 have been prevented from leaving the country, save for very important reasons.

This is in order to guard against any great loss of man-power. The restriction has now been relaxed and special permits will be granted to men over 35 years of age.

Permits will be granted to those for the United Kingdom, the Dominions and the Colonies, but permits for other countries, particularly for men under 35, will continue to be granted very sparingly.

By Ernie Bushmiller



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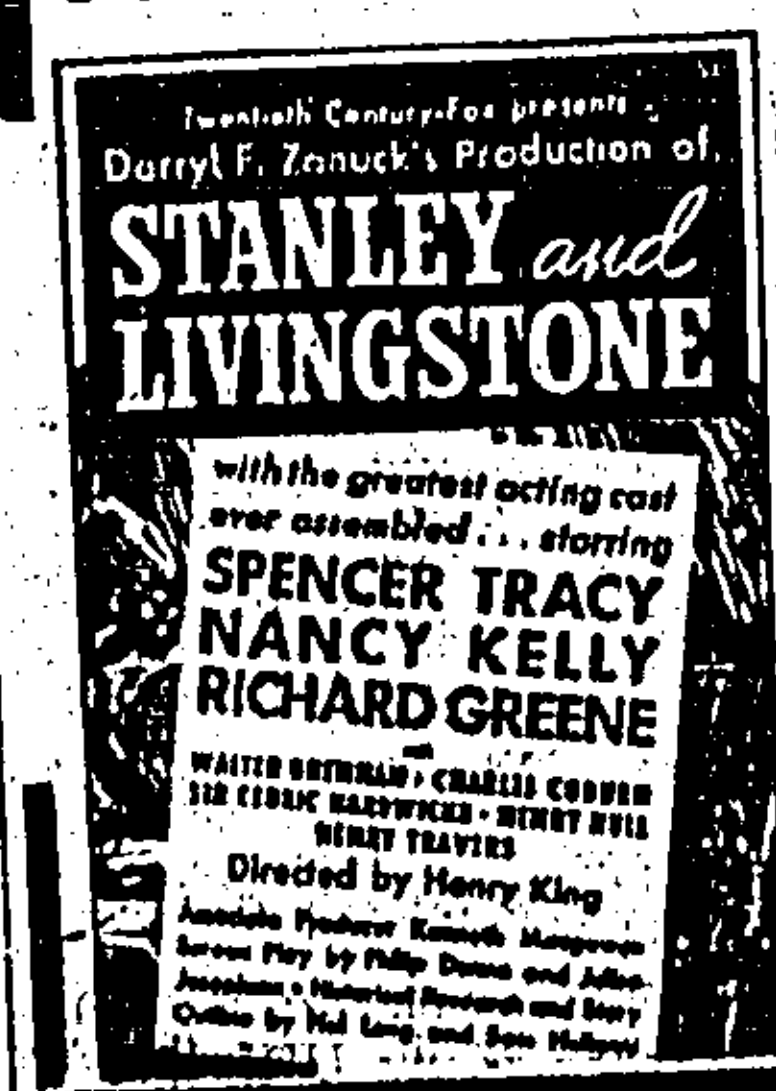
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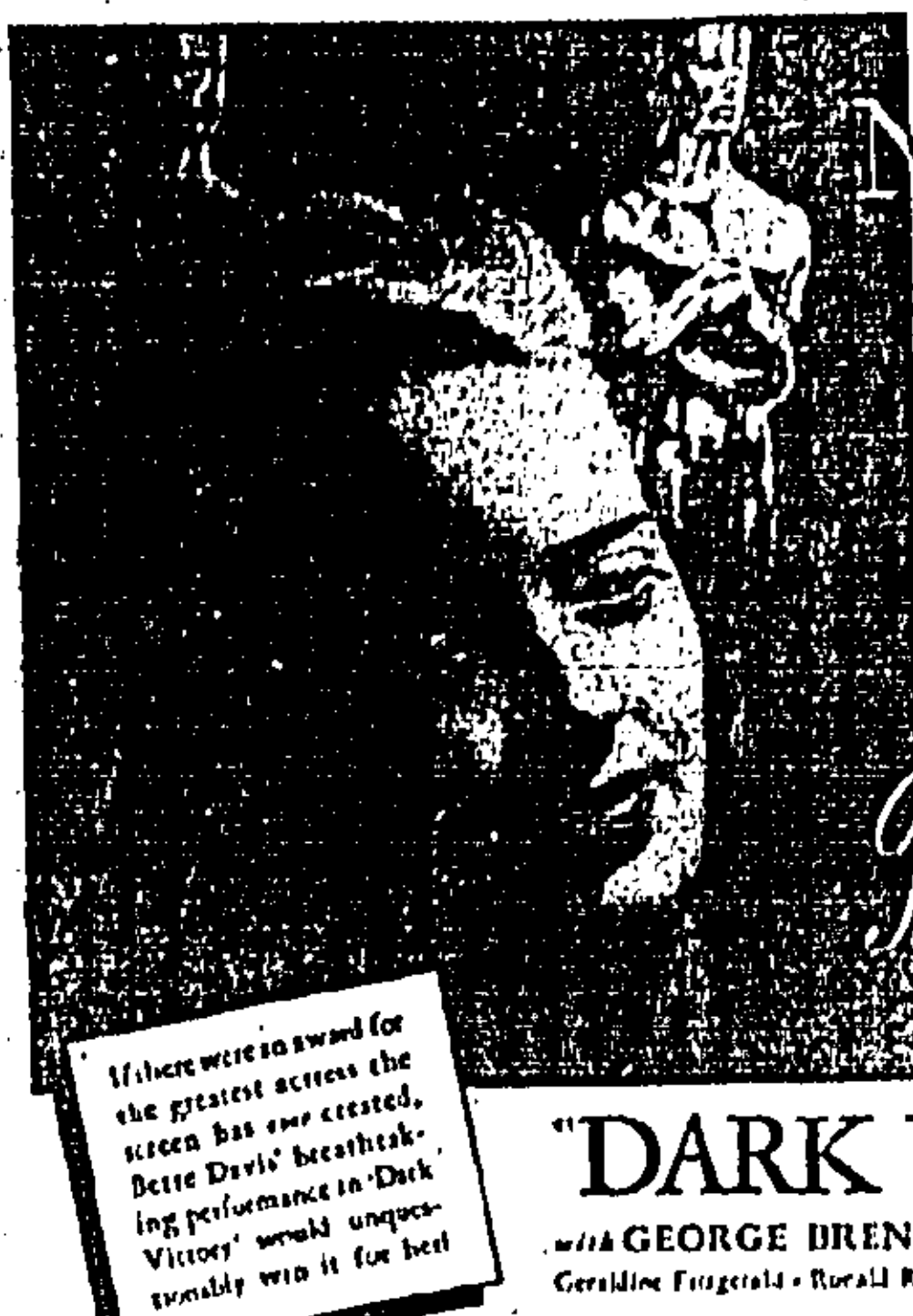
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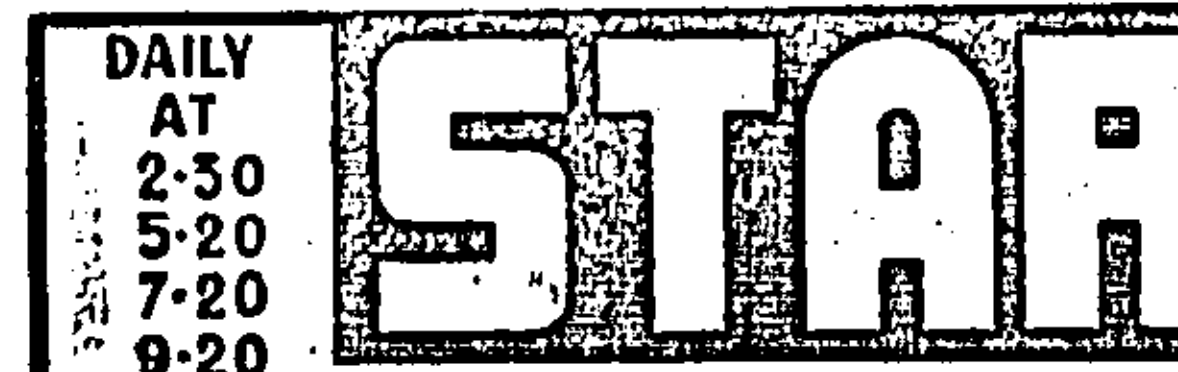
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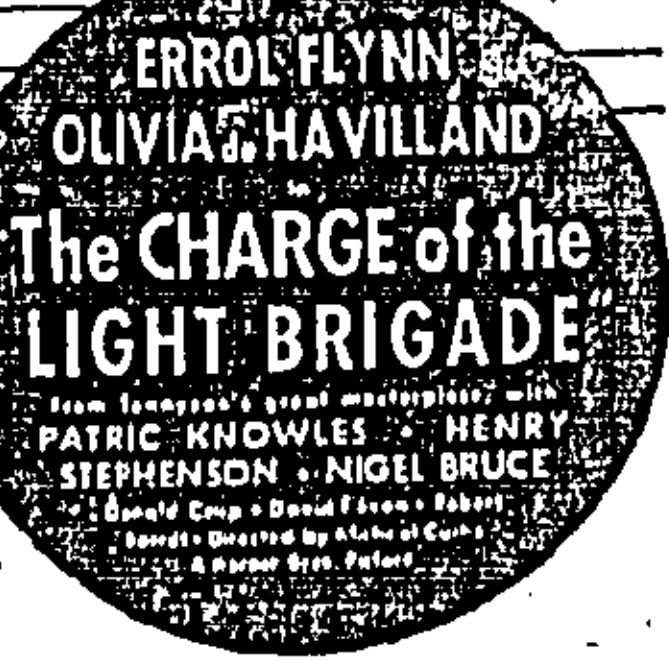
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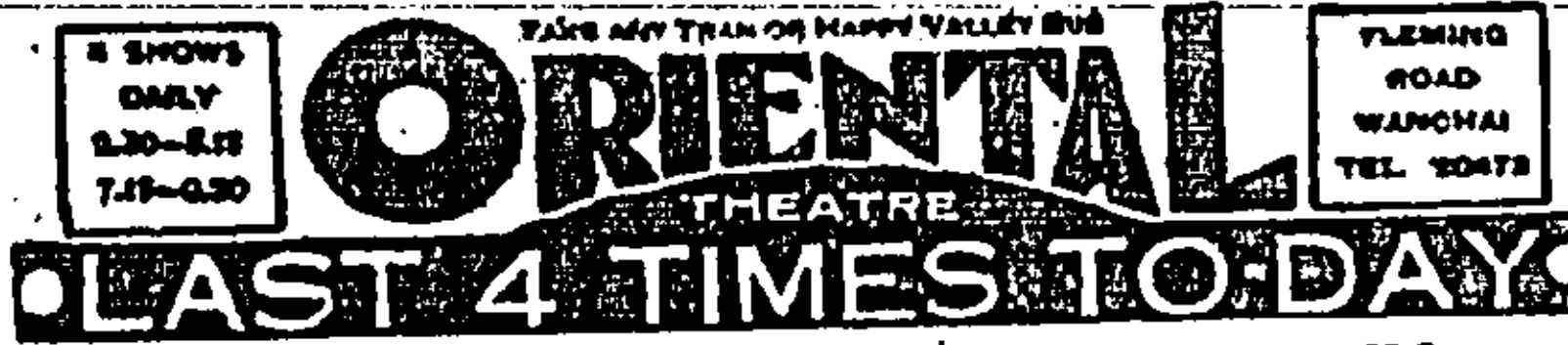
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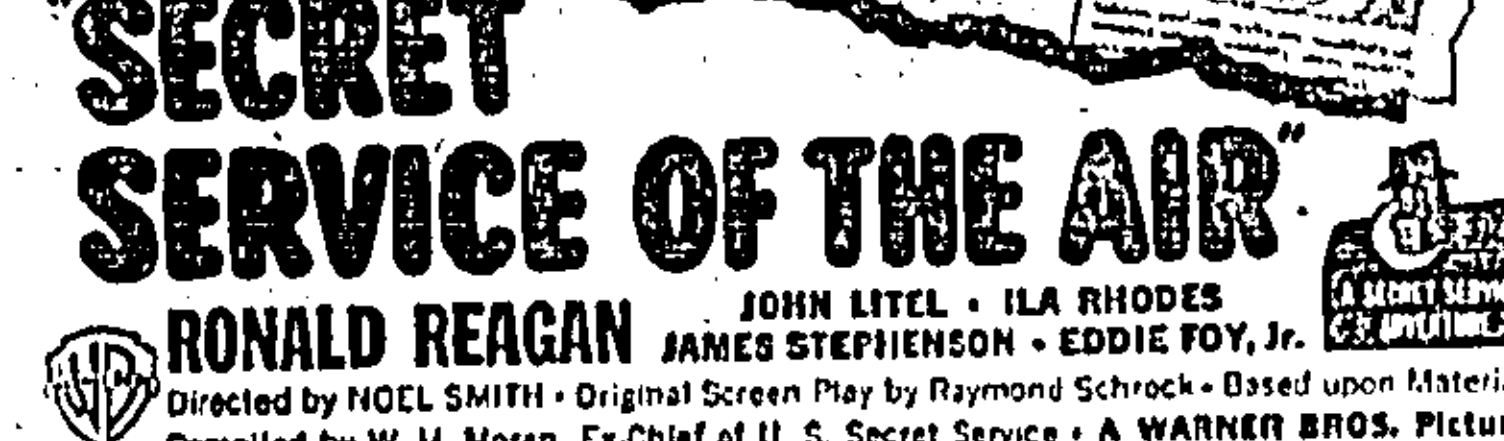


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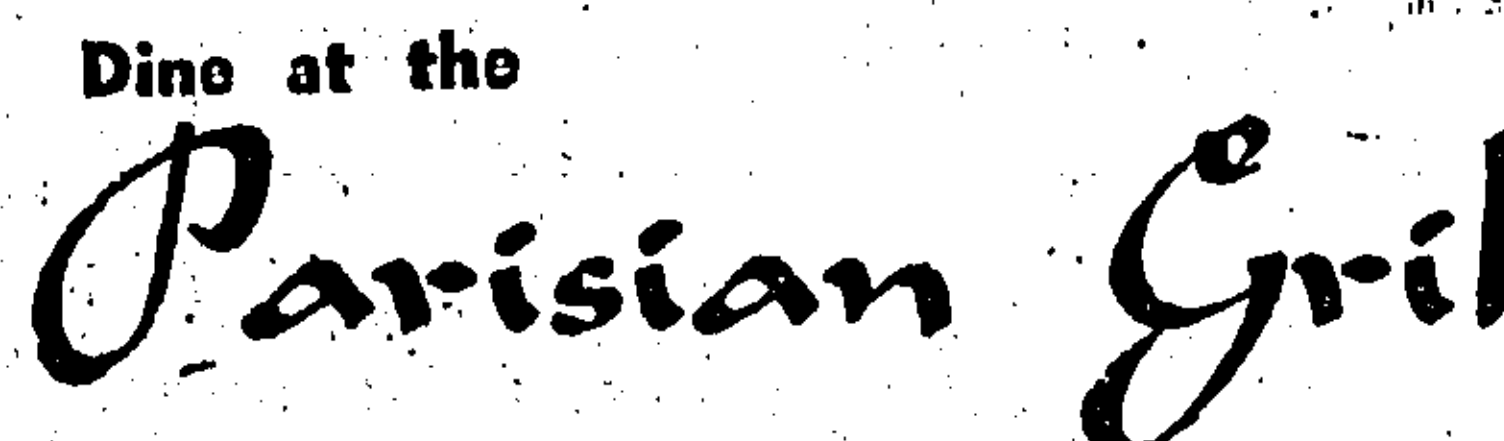
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# U.S. WOMAN KILLED IN DUTCH LINER

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## SEA WARFARE

### NAZI SHIP CAPTURED

#### Further Sinkings Of British Ships

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Admiralty announces that "another German merchant ship, the Konsul Hendrick Fisher, has been captured by a British warship and brought into harbour."

Royston Grange Lost  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—It has been confirmed that the British steamer Royston Grange (5,144 tons) has been torpedoed.

A lifeboat was launched on the north-east coast of Kent to-day after the consular station had received a message saying that a vessel which so far has not been named, had struck it mine.

Swiss Ship Sunk  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—Delayed reports reaching here reveal that the British tanker James J. Maguire (10,525 tons) was sunk off the east coast of England last week.

Swiss Ship Mined  
BERLIN, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—German newspapers assert that a Swiss steamer named Helena has been sunk by a mine in the Channel.

It is believed here that the ship referred to is the Helene Kulukundis, 5,548 tons, which was one of nine ships chartered by the Swiss Transport Office from a Greek shipping firm for the duration of the war.

The ship was bound from the United States with a cargo of cereals.

### BLOCKADE BY FRANCE

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to occupy the field vacated in German overseas markets.

11 Control Ports  
The French embargo decree prescribed that neutral ships call at the French control stations at Dunkerque, Le Havre, Marseilles or Oran, or the British stations at Kirkwall, Lesbunes, Weymouth, Malta, Haifa, Port Said or Gibraltar.

German goods which are seized will be sold, but the proceeds will be reimbursed to the neutral shippers if purchased before November 28.

Otherwise the goods will either be entrusted to a prize administration or the sale proceeds deposited until the end of the war.

The decree orders reimbursement of the proceeds from the sale of German goods if the goods are charged to a ship receiving a pass at the last neutral port of call before December 11—or if it is proved that the buyer accepted delivery and paid the purchase price before November 28.

It is recommended that all goods be accompanied by a certificate of origin to be delivered by a British Consulate.

### NEED NOT ALARM BRITAIN

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law to score a preliminary success, but always hints that such success is short-lived, and means will be quickly discovered in combatting the new device.

Moreover the adoption of illegal methods is often a boomerang, as witness Germany's use of gas in the last war.

Some indication of the boomerang is seen in Britain's plan to place an embargo on German export in the way of reprisal.

U-Boat Campaign Failure  
NEW YORK, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—"Germany's mine-laying tactics indicate the failure of the U-boat campaign," writes the naval expert, Commander Edward Ellsberg, in the "New York Post."

"The campaign is unquestionably an act of desperation," Commander Ellsberg declares. "Germany will have to sink between 20,000 and 30,000 tons daily for months in order to win the war at sea."

"Hitherto neither with mines nor torpedoes has she come within hailing distance of that record."

### DECISIVE RUSSIAN ACTION IS FEARED

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They are exhorted to remain calm. Rifle Fire Exchanged  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
COPENHAGEN, Nov. 27 (UP).—The Helsingfors correspondent of the "Politiken" reports that recently Russian troops have frequently trespassed on Finnish territory at Karelia and have been driven back by rifle fire.

The report adds that several Soviet planes have recently been shot down in the same territory.  
Completely Quiet  
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 27 (UP).—Influenced by the press, the Finnish Foreign Minister, J. E. Erkko, said that the Finnish-Soviet frontier is completely quiet.  
He added, "We have done nothing."

LONDON, Nov. 27 (UP).—The "Press Association" reports that four members of the crew and an American woman passenger on the Dutch steamer Spaarndam lost their lives when the vessel was damaged through striking a mine off the Thames Estuary to-day.

Three of the victims were drowned and two were killed in the explosion.  
The American woman was Mrs. Stephen.

Ship Caught Fire  
LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—An outbreak of fire aboard the Dutch liner, Spaarndam, which struck a mine in the Thames Estuary yesterday afternoon and is believed to have been sunk, revealed shortly after midnight that the vessel was still afloat.

The liner, which was bound for Rotterdam from South America, had been completely abandoned with the loss of the lives of four members of the crew and a woman passenger.

Three of the victims were drowned when they were thrown into the sea, and the other two were killed by an explosion of the mine.

New Blazing Furiously  
The explosion occurred early in the afternoon and the life-boat from the shore, which had been sent to the Spaarndam, seemed likely to sink any moment.

Just before midnight, fire broke out aboard and she is now blazing furiously off the Thames Estuary. In full view of people lining the shore, she appears to be down heavily by the head but her bulkheads and aft appear to be holding, this accounting for the fact that she has remained afloat so long.

## Parliament In Secret

Session Likely During Next Few Weeks

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—It is now probable that Government will accede to the desire of the two Opposition Parties for a secret session within the next few weeks, "Reuter's" Lobby correspondent learns.

The Opposition Parties have made clear that their wish is confined to the question of machinery and supplies for the fighting services.

Naturally the non-Government parties will receive allegations and complaints from the industrial side which they are inclined to ventilate publicly lest the allegations prove unfounded.

If a secret session is held, no record of the proceedings will exist. Even official reporters will be excluded as in the last war.

## New Air Training Scheme Ready

OTTAWA, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The Missions and Committees representing the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand and Canada have worked out a basis of agreement for a joint air training scheme, Mr. McKenzie King, the Canadian Premier, revealed in a Press statement. The plan is now being referred to the governments for decision.

## Compensation For U.S. Ship Losses

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—High Democratic leaders have begun the formulation of legislation designed to compensate ships of the U.S. merchant marine for losses under the new Neutrality Law.

When finally formulated, the legislation will be introduced into the Senate.

## \$25,000,000 LAW SUIT FILED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 27 (UP).—Mr. William J. Wardell, Trustee of the McKesson Robbins Interests has filed a suit for \$25,000,000 in the Federal Court against the Administrators of the estate of the late F. Donald Coster-Musica.

The grounds listed were that the late F. Donald Coster-Musica was illegally paid between 1928 and 1938. The action further alleges that Coster and his accomplices "unlawfully converted, embezzled and took for their own use the sum of \$2,359,880.04."

## Snow Falls In The North

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Nov. 28 (Domei).—Snow fell for the first time this year in the city of Gifu yesterday, the fall coming 14 days later than that of last year, but eight days earlier than in normal years. Tokayama, in the same Prefecture, was also visited by snow yesterday.

The suburbs of Osaka, mostly around Sakai, also experienced yesterday their first snow fall of the year.

## PILOT'S DARING ESCAPE

Flies Low Over Nazi Fortifications

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—Concerning the R.A.F. raid on Wilhelmshaven and Heligoland a few days ago, the Air Ministry states that one pilot flew so low that he was able to take the Nazis by surprise and get his cameras going before the Nazis opened fire.

Many valuable photographs were taken.  
The weather was bad. Ice formed on the wings and there were low-flying clouds and electrical disturbances, making the return flight a difficult piece of navigation.

The planes met with intensive anti-aircraft fire over Wilhelmshaven, both from "pom poms" and from "flying onions" which burst in groups of red, blue and orange smoke.

## Attack On Forth

LONDON, Nov. 27 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. drove two German aircraft out over the North Sea less than three times when they attempted persistently to make a reconnaissance flight over the Forth of Forth.

Berlin Version  
BERLIN, Nov. 28 (Reuter).—While admitting the R.A.F. raid over North Western Germany, a German military communique says that the planes tried to get to Heligoland, but were forced to return in the face of intensive anti-aircraft fire.

The official news agency, D.N.B., claims that a German reconnaissance machine penetrated into France "as far as the Maginot Line, bringing back valuable sketches of the fortifications."

## Marine Officer Killed At Taikoo

A young mercantile marine officer, Mr. C. G. Rigby, second officer of the s.s. Kiangsu, was killed during the attack in circumstances which have not yet been determined.

He was found, dead, in the bottom of No. 2 hold of the Kiangsu at Taikoo Dock, having obviously fallen from the deck.

He was only 27 years of age and had been with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire for just over twelve months. It is understood that he was a native of Millford Haven.

No funeral arrangements have yet been made.

## French Parliament To Meet Thursday

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 27 (UP).—The French Parliament has been summoned for an extraordinary session on Thursday. Its chief task will be to renew the Government's full emergency powers which expire on November 30, upon which the execution of the Decree Laws is dependent.

It has been announced that the official Journal on Tuesday will publish a decree applying the embargo to German exports.

Also it is officially announced that a Council of Ministers, presided over by President Lebrun, will meet on Wednesday to discuss the parliamentary session.

## AMERICANS ACQUIESCE

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British blockade of German exports, Mr. Cordell Hull, the Secretary of State, emphasised that the United States reserves all rights in connection with the application of the blockade.

He said that the State Department is studying all phases. So far there has been no incident which is specifically against American nationals or their rights.

In the meantime, the British Embassy has announced the addition of Spain and Lithuania to the list of neutrals to which commercial shipments from the United States must be covered by "Navicert."

## JUNK MINED NEAR H.K.

A Hongkong junk was blown up last Thursday by a mine—believed to have been Japanese—according to a belated report just received by the police.

A crew of 24 were thrown into the water, and although 20 were rescued by a passing junk, five are missing, feared to be drowned.

The junk was blown up on Thursday morning just off Sun Ching Kan in the San Mei district, believed to be near the West River.

The craft was blown to atoms and the crew of 25 including the master, Kwok Kin-cheung thrown into the water.

Fortunately a junk was passing nearby and managed to rescue the majority of the men.

# QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

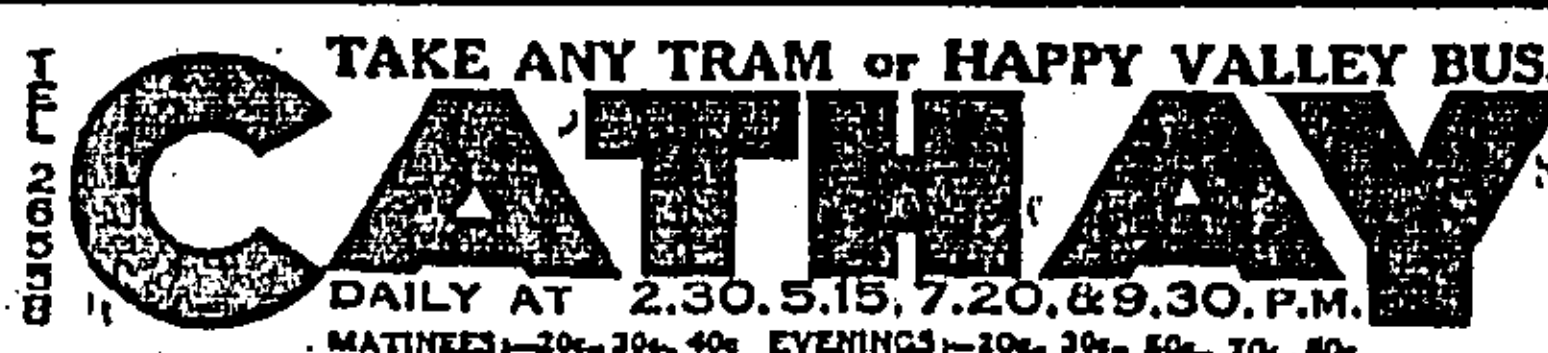
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